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New Bedford Mo. Mtg.

No. 4

Men

~~Women~~

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4 mo. 1850 — 12 mo. 1878

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS
FOR NEW ENGLAND

To Sandwich Quarterly Meeting next to be held at—
New Bedford

Dear friends

Annexed we forward answers to the Queries to which we refer for the state of our meeting and have appointed our friends Giles E. Stanton, John Wood, John Howland and Edmund Gardner to attend as our representatives.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee and also the report of a committee appointed by that meeting to consider of the subjects proposed therein were read in this meeting to our satisfaction. The London general Epistle has also been received and read in this meeting ~~to our satisfaction~~ and two hundred copies of the same together with One hundred twenty five copies of the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have been distributed among our members.

Our proportion of Stock has been directed to be paid to your Treasurer.

Signed on behalf of New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
3mo 27, 1851

Wm C Taber Clerk

New Bedford acd Sundries
Jue 1851

New Bedford Answers 3mo 1851

1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except two small ones which omission was caused by unavoidable circumstances — those on First-days by the greater part of our members, while mid-week meetings and those for discipline are more neglected by some. The hour is nearly observed. Generally clear of sleeping and other unbecoming behaviors. Some care has been extended.

2d Love and unity appear to be generally maintained and detraction guarded against. Where differences have arisen endeavors have been used to end them.

3d There is a care on the minds of most Friends to bring up those under their direction agreeably to the several parts of this query, and to be good examples ~~[illegible]~~ themselves while others are more remiss herein. — The Holy Scriptures we believe are frequently read in Friends families.

4th We think Friends are careful in these respects with the exception of one case in which some care has been taken.

5th Clear except one instance of placing out from among Friends.

6th We know not but clear.

7th We believe that Friends generally are concerned to maintain our testimonies against the payment of Priests wages. Clear in the other parts of this query.

8th Friends are generally careful in the several parts of this query, yet not without some exceptions.

9th Our records are attended to. A few removals without certificate are under notice.

10th We endeavor to deal with offenders in the manner queried after and to place judgment in the authority of Truth according to discipline.

New Bedford Mc M. 9 acct Hanbury

3mo 1851

New Bedford Monthly
Meeting, No 4.

Copy of Mr. West's Will.

I John West of New Bedford in the County of Bristol and Commonwealth of Massachusetts being weak of body but of sound mind memory and understanding considering the uncertainty of this life do make publish & declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz.

Imprimis. My will is that all my just debts and funeral Charges be paid and discharged by my executors hereafter named out of my personal estate

Item. I give and bequeath the yearly income or neat proceeds of all my Estate both real & personal (after paying my debts funeral Charges and all other contingent or necessary Charges that may hereafter arise together with the legacies and other incumbrances hereafter specified) to and for the use of the poor and needy forever, by poor and needy my meaning is such persons as are endeavouring to support themselves and find great difficulty in doing it and it is my will that preference be always given to the poor of the Town to which I belong — And I hereby nominate and appoint my truly and well beloved friends Stephen Hathaway and Peter Fuller to be trustees of my Estate for the purpose above specified and hereby desire and request them jointly at my decease to take the possession of all my Estate and improve the same by themselves or persons under them to the best advantage and to appropriate the yearly income or neat proceeds to the relief of the poor and needy in such way and manner and to such as they shall think best entitled to relief by this my will with the preference abovementioned and on the decease or resignation of one or both of the above named Trustees: My will is that their places be filled up or succeeded by persons chosen or appointed by the Monthly meeting of the people called Quakers nighest to the premises from time to time whenever there shall be a vacancy hereafter forever and in case said Monthly Meeting shall for the space of twelve months after the decease or resignation of any one of the Trustees refuse or neglect to appoint or choose any other person in this or their room for the said purpose then and in that case my will is that the Judge of Probate of Wills for the County of Bristol choose or appoint some suitable person or persons to fill up said vacancys that the intent of my will may not be frustrated — And it is my will that the Trustees whom I have here named and all that shall hereafter succeed them be accountable to the said monthly meeting for the faithful discharge of the trust reposed in them and that they keep a fair and just account of the income of said estate and how the same hath been appropriated and that they settle the same with said meeting whenever thereto called and on the said monthly meetings finding that the intent of this my will hath not been complied with by any Trustee said meeting is hereby empowered to displace such Trustee and to appoint or choose some other in his room or stead —

Item — I give and bequeath to my beloved friend and kinsman Bartho amew Taber one three years old neat creature. —

Item I give and bequeath to Anna Gibbs daughter of the widow Gibbs of Rochester five sheep out of my flock —

Item My will is that if my Sister Mary Sisson wife of Ackus Sisson shall hereafter become poor and needy that she be supported out of my estate by said Trustees in a suitable manner for her in her situation but not any of my estate to be appropriated towards the support of her said husband directly or indirectly = And I hereby nominate and appoint my trusty friends Stephen Hathaway and Peter Fuller aforenamed executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former will and wills by me heretofore made. —

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine —

Signed, Sealed published and delivered by the aforenamed John West as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses hereto and in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other

John West (L.S.)

Jethro Hathaway
Stephen Hathaway
Ebenezer Chase

Copy
W. C. T. 1832

Copy
John Watts Will

Minute of 4 mo 1827 It is concluded that our First Day afternoon Meetings at New Bedford commence in future at the ~~at the~~ fourth hour, from the first of the Fifth to the close of the Eighth Month.

Minute of 8 mo 1832 It is concluded that our First Day afternoon Meetings at New Bedford commence at the Fourth hours till the time of the meeting Meeting in the Ninth month.

Minute of 9 mo 1861. In future afternoon Meetings to commence at New Bedford from 12 mo 1. to 4 mo 1. at the Third hour – from 4 mo 1. to 12 mo 1 at 7½ P.M.

Minute 3 mo 1863. First-day afternoon Meeting to commence from 10 mo 1. to the close of the fourth month at the third hour. from the first of the fifth to the end of the Ninth Month at Seven and a half in the evening.

Minute 2 mo 1865. It is concluded that our First-day afternoon meetings at New Bedford be held in future from 3 mo 1. to 11 mo 1. at 4. O clock, and the remainder of the year at 3. O.clock.

Minute 9 mo 1867. Our First day afternoon meeting at New Bedford is to be held at 3 o clock until otherwise ordered –

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1850 4mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 25 1850

Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner Matthew Howland — Longplain Marlboro. Bradford, Charles Kempton who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

W. G. Wing cert. on acct of marriage — William G Wing having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, William Gifford and Matthew Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Ezra Smith Com. released — The Committee appointed in the 5th month 1846 to visit Ezra Smith presented the following report which was accepted and the subject is accordingly dismissed from our minutes.

To the Monthly Meeting

~~Since an appointment we have had several interviews~~

The Committee in the case of Ezra Smith think it a suitable time to make the following report — That since our appointment we have had several opportunities with him with satisfaction and encouragement sufficient to continue the case and now he constantly attends our First Day meetings and it is our judgment that the subject be dismissed — which we submit to the meeting.

Fairhaven 4mo 25. 1850

Elnathan C Delano
Wm R. Taber

A. S. Taber disowned — The Committee appointed in the 9th month 1849 to visit Abraham S. Taber presented the following report which was accepted and with the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious society and Daniel Davis is named to inform him hereof and of his right of appeal.

To the Monthly Meeting

Since our appointment we have had several interviews with Abraham S. Taber who expressed a regard for Friends but he continues to absent himself entirely from our religious meetings and has no wish to retain his right of membership. We submit the case to the meeting believing that further labor will be unavailing. —

New Bedford 4mo 25. 1850

Daniel Davis
Henry T. Wood

Cert. recd M. W. Howland — We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary W Howland.

Overseers Poor appd — John Howland, Edmund Gardner, Wm Gifford, Philip Anthony, George Howland Jr, Sands Wing, Wm R Taber & John Wood are appointed overseers of the Poor of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Attest — Wm C Taber, clerk

1850 5th Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th Mo 23 1850

Representatives from New Bedford Henry T. Wood and Joseph Taber — Longplain Gideon Wood and Walter Davis who are all present except one whose absence was occasioned by sickness in his family.

Cert. recd. P. Wilbur & family — A removal certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Peleg Wilber and family is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting

A certificate on account of marriage directed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of William G Wing is approved

The friend named to inform Abm S. Taber of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has informed him.

S. H. Dottridge removed — We unite with the womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Susan H. Dottridge.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

6th Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6th Mo 27 1850

Representatives from New Bedford, Matthew Howland and Danl. Davis — Longplain Jonathan Cowen and Charles Kempton who are all present.

Elisha Jones Visit — Our beloved friend Elisha Jones of China Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from his friends expressive of their unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements.— His company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d. & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Edmund Gardner, Rufus Shearman, Francis Bowman and Elnathan E Delano are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

7th Mo. 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7th Mo 25 1850

Representatives from New Bedford George Wing, Alexander Hillman — Longplain Peleg Wilbur & Peter D Slade who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

2d Mo 19 Stock — We are informed by a minute from our last Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of the sum necessary to be raised for the service of that meeting the ensuing year is three hundred thirty seven 50/100 dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting when the State of the Treasury will admit.

1850 7mo. Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting
Report embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee and
B. S. Com. also of a committee appointed by that meeting to consider of
the subjects proposed therein were read in this meeting to
our satisfaction.

Charles R Tucker, Joseph Taber, Geo Howland Jr, Wm
Com. on R Taber and Richard Davis are appointed to take the necessary
admissions care with respect to children about to enter the Boarding School
to Board'g at Providence and parents are requested to make seasonable
School application to them for certificates previous to their being sent
to it. They are also directed to present the cases of any child
whom they may consider entitled to the priviledge of the charita-
ble fund of said School to the general School Committee at
the times mentioned in their report.

H. H. Allen The committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit
disowned Henry H Allen presented the following report which was read
and accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meet-
ing we disown him as a member of our religious society and
Henry T. Wood is named to inform him hereof and of his right of appeal.

"To the Monthly Meeting

Pursuant to our appointment we
have visited Henry H Allen on the subject of the complaint
made in his case. He informed us that on reflection he
did not feel disposed to comply with the discipline relative
to the attendance of our meetings, but preferred to attend those
of another religious society as he had been brought up. We
therefore submit the case to the meeting

Wm R Taber
7mo 25th 1850 Henry T. Wood

London Epistle The London general Epistle of the past year was read
& at this time to our satisfaction. And two hundred copies
Minutes of of the ~~two hundred copies of the~~ same together with one hundred
Y. M. twenty five copies of the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting were
received and directed to be distributed.

Attest Wm Taber clerk

8mo 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8th mo 22 1850
Representatives from New Bedford Henry T. Wood, Giles
E Stanton — Longplain Gideon Wood 2d R. Wing
who are all present.

The friend named to inform Henry H. Allen of the
conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has informed
him.

Acknow. We unite with the womens meeting in accepting an
Lydia Dexter acknowledgement from Lydia C. Dexter late Swift on account of her

8mo 1850 deviation in marriage and in continuing her a member of our religious Society.

S. Howland's returning Minute — A returning minute from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London 21st of 5th month last on behalf of our dear friend Susan Howland was received at this time to our satisfaction and the testimony of our distant brethren to the character of her labors and conversation while among them is grateful and encouraging to us

Attest Wm C. Taber Clk

9mo 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 26 1850
Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner, Benjn T. Howland Longplain Richard Davis Luther T. Wood who are all present.

Queries — The queries were read in this meeting with answers from our preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th — A summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

John Howland, Wm P. Howland Elnathan E. Delano & Edmund Gardner are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Complaint Jas. Davis — The following complaint from the Overseers against James Davis being received we appoint Thomas Wood & Josiah Holmes Jr to visit him on the account of his deviation and report their judgment in the case to a future meetg.

"To the Monthly Meeting

The Overseers inform that James Davis has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

Fairhaven 9mo 18 1850
Sands Wing
John Wood

B. G. Com. — The committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of burial grounds presented the following report which was read and accepted and the friends now under appointment are continued on the same Service for the ensuing year or until another appointment — to report in the 9th month next year.

- Jo. Taber
- ~~Geo.~~ Howland
- Wm R. Taber
- ~~Benj Tripp~~
- Thos Wood
- John Wood
- E E Delano
- R. Shearman
- Josiah Holmes Jr
- Richd Davis
- Chas R Tucker
- Wm P Howland
- H T Wood
- Wm Gifford
- J. H. Howland
- Abr Davis
- Ed Gardner
- Sands Wing
- George Macomber

" Agreeably to appointment some of our numbers have attended all the funerals held under the care of friends that have come to our knowledge. There has no change taken place in any of our burial grounds except that at Rochester which the Committee have noticed with regret, there having been monuments erected at one grave contrary to our Discipline — All of which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

New Bedford
9mo 26 1850
On behalf of the Committee
Rufus Shearman
Josiah Holmes Jr"

9mo 1850 A communication from the Meeting for Sufferings in
Memorials relation to the "Memorials of deceased friends" recently published under the direction of the Yearly Meeting was received at this time.

Attest Wm C Taber, Clerk

10mo 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 24, 1850

Representatives from New Bedford George Wing Allen Kelley — Longplain John Wood, Joseph R Ewing who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

M C Bayliss ack. recd. We unite with the womens meeting in accepting an acknowledgement from Mary C Bayliss late Coldly who has married out of the order of our Society, and in continuing her in membership with us.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

11mo 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 28 1850

Representatives from New Bedford Henry T. Wood Joseph Kempton — Longplain Cornelius Macomber John R Davis 2 who are present.

Queries The queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Sands Wing, Jno Wood, Geo. Howland Jr and Wm R Taber.

Complaint Wm J Sherman The following ~~report~~ complaint being received from the Overseers against Wm J Sherman we appoint Henry T. Wood Daniel Davis & Edmund Gardner to visit him and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

William J Sherman has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member

Wm C Taber
Wm P Howland } Overseers
New Bedford 11mo 14, 1850

Rochester Committee The Committee appointed to visit the Meeting at Rochester presented the following report which was read and accepted and in accordance therewith the Meeting is continued another year under the care of a committee, the womens meeting concurring herein. The following friends are appointed to present to our next Monthly Meeting the names of friends to constitute a committee for this service viz Henry T. Wood Josiah Holmes 2, Sands Wing, Edmund Gardner, Richard Davis and Matthew Howland.

11mo 1850 To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit the meetings at Rochester report that they have endeavored to attend to their appointment by visiting that meeting from time to time as way has opened for it to a good degree of satisfaction and although they have often found the meeting small yet they are united in judgment that usefulness would result by the meetings being continued as heretofore under the care of a committee. Which we submit to the meeting.

11mo 28. 1850 On behalf of the Committee
Rufus Shearman
Hannah T Taber

Phila. Miller ack: recd We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting an acknowledgement from Phila G. Miller late Gifford, who has married out of the order of our Society, and in continuing her in membership with us.

Cert. recd H. S. Wing We also unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting in behalf of Hannah S Wing wife of Wm G Wing.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

12mo 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 26 1850

Representatives from New Bedford Francis Bowman and Abel D Wolf — Longplain Richard Davis and Peter D Slade who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Rochester Com. appd The committee appointed last month to propose the names of friends to compose a committee to visit the meetings at Rochester presented the following which with the addition of Francis Bowman are appointed on that service and are requested to report in the 12th month next. — [Names of committee are as follows] Abraham Davis, Rufus Shearman, Elnathan E Delano Philip Anthony Wm R Taber, Thomas Wood, George Howland Daniel Davis, Wm P Howland, Charles R. Tucker Richard Davis & Wm C Taber.

Auditors appd Matthew Howland, Wm Gifford and Philip Anthony are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts — to ascertain what sum would be necessary to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend to serve as Treasurer. They are also directed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of John Wests Estate and also the acct. of the committees having charge of the Educational and Charitable Funds of our late friend A. Shearmans and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

12 mo 1850 Overseers appd — Wm P Howland, Rufus Shearman, Wm R Taber, Sands Wing John Wood and Wm C Taber are appointed overseers of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

1 Mo 1851 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1 Mo 23 1851
Representatives from New Bedford Alexander Gilman Seth R. Allen — Longplain Walter Davis, Gideon Wood who are present.

ack. recd Wm Shearman — The Committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit Wm J Shearman on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report and acknowledgement which were read and considered; and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting they were accepted and he is accordingly continued in membership with us. Wm P Howland and Henry T. Wood are named to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting.

Report. We have had an interview with Wm J Shearman and believe that he is sincere in his desire to be continued in membership with us, and that it will be safe to receive his acknowledgement.

New Bedford 1 mo 23 1851 — Daniel Davis
To the Monthly Meeting. — Edmund Gardner
Henry T. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting
Dear friends

Being sensible that I have deviated from the good order of the discipline by uniting myself in marriage with one not a member I sincerely desire that Friends would so far pass by my deviation as to let me remain under your christian care

from your friend
Wm J Shearman

S. D. Wing recd — We unite with the womens meeting in receiving Sarah D Wing, widow of Ebenezer Wing into membership with us.

S. Howland to R I and Smithfield — Our beloved friend Susan Howland opened in this meeting a prospect that she informed us had for a considerable time impressed her mind to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and Smithfield and to visit such of the meetings constituting them as way may open for in the Truth — which concern was fully united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein as best Wisdom may direct, she being a minister in unity with us.

Report of Auditors — The Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and to audit the accounts of the different trust-funds in charge of this Monthly Meeting presented the following report which was read and accepted and in compliance there-

Mo 1851 with it is concluded to raise the sum of six hundred dollars
for the service of this meeting and Henry T. Wood is reappointed
Treasurer for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Com. to Collect Subsc. Marlborough Bradford, Matthew Howland, Jos. R. Wing, Benj.
F. Howland, Jabez Wood and Peter D Slade are appointed to receive
subscriptions for this amount and are directed to present the Treasurers
receipts for the same when accomplished.

New Bedford Mo 14 1851

The Committee appointed by the Monthly Meeting to examine
Report on Treasury and settle the Treasurers account have attended to that duty and find
a balance in the Treasury of eight 32/100 dollars and recommend that
the sum of six hundred dollars be raised for the use of the meeting
the ensuing year and propose Henry T. Wood for Treasurer — The
Committee in making the above estimate have had no regard to
the expense of building the meeting house at Nantucket.

We have also examined and settled the account of the
A S Jr Charitable Fund Committee on the Charitable fund from the estate of our late friend
Abm Shearman Jr from which it appears that nineteen individuals
have been assisted during the past year to the amount of one hundred
and twenty two dollars, leaving a balance in their hands of, forty six
dollars

A. S. Jr Ed. Fund We have also audited the account of the Committee on
the Education fund and learn by it that the board and tuition of
three children at Providence boarding School have been paid out of
the income from this fund the past year and that the balance on hand
to new acct. is forty nine dollars.

Jno West's Estate We also learn upon examination of the accounts of the
Trustees of John West's Estate that one hundred ninety four 50/100
dollars have been distributed among twenty nine persons and that
twenty seven 25/100 dolls have been expended for repairs during the year
leaving a balance of one hundred thirteen 65/100 dolls in the hands of
the Trustees

Wm Gifford
Philip Anthony
Matthew Howland

Com. on Charitable & Educat. Funds A. S. Jr. The friends now under appointment to have charge of the
Educational and Charitable Funds of our late friend A. Shearman Jr
are continued on the same service for the year ensuing or until
another appointment.

(Committee on the Education Fund — Chs R. Tucker, Joseph
Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Wm R Taber & Richard Davis)

(Committee on the Charitable Fund — Geo Howland Jr Henry T.
Wood, Wm Gifford, Edwd W Howland & Wm C Taber)

Attest Wm C Taber clerk

2 mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2 mo 27 1851
Representatives from New Bedford [illegible] Wm Gifford
— Longplain Peleg Wilber & Charles Kempton who are present.

Clerks app.d The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed having expired Wm C Taber is reappointed Clerk and Charles R Tucker Assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment —

Wm H Hussey cert. on acc.d of Marriage Wm H Hussey having requested a certificate on account of marriage to New York Monthly Meeting we appoint Henry T Wood and Matthew Howland to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting

C. Macomber The following communication being received at this time viz.

We appoint Peleg Wilbar and Thomas Wood to make the usual inquiry respecting Cornelius Macombers clearness to proceed in marriage and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to inform Wm Shearman of the conclusion of this meeting in his case report that information had been given

Recorders app.d Charles R. Tucker is reappointed Recorder and Wm R Taber and Richard Davis assistant Recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Attest Wm C Taber clerk.

3 mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3 mo 27th 1851
Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford . Allen Kelley
— Longplain John Wood Albert Wood who are all present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative meetings, — a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Giles E Stanton, John Wood, John Howland & Edmund Gardner.

C Macomber & and A A Delano married Cornelius Macomber and Ann A Delano having at our last Monthly Meeting presented a written declaration of their intentions of marriage with each other, and they having consent of surviving parent and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize their said marriage according to the established order of our Society — Wm R Taber and Rufus Shearman are named to have the oversight thereof

1857 3mo and report to our next Monthly Meeting

Wm H Hussey cert. A certificate on account of marriage directed to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Wm H Hussey is approved.

M Brown disownd We unite with the Womens meeting in disowning Maria Brown late Russell as a member of our religious society who has married with one not in membership with us.

A. Taber Augustus Taber having requested a certificate on account of marriage to New York Monthly Meeting we appoint Wm Gifford and Geo. Howland Jr to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

4mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 mo 24, 1857 Representatives from New Bedford Harrison Magoon George Wing — Longplain Peleg Wilbour, Charles Kempton who are all present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

O Davis applica^n Obadiah Davis having applied to be received into membership with us we appoint Josiah Holmes Jr Thomas Wood & Wm Gifford to visit him and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

Com. on subscrip^n report The committee appointed in the First Month last to receive subscriptions for the service of this meeting presented the Treasurers receipt for six hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Cornelius Macomber and Anna A Delano report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the Recorder.

A Taber removd A certificate on account of marriage directed to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Augustus Taber is approved and directed to be signed by the clerk.

Overseers Poor app^d. The friends now under appointment as Overseers of the Poor are continued on the same service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

(John Howland Edmund Gardner, Wm Gifford, Philip Anthony Geo Howland Jr, Sands Wing, Wm C Taber & Thos Wood)

The Treasurer informs that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting

Attest Wm C Taber Clk.

5th mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th mo 22 1851
Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner, Wm H. Howland — Longplain Thomas Wood, Jos R Wing who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

Complaint E. Jenney The following complaint against Edmund Jenney being received from the Overseers we appoint Elisha Thornton and George Wing to visit him on account of his deviations and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

Cert. recd T. Inman & family A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Inman and family is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Phila Miller removed We unite with the womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phila G. Millers.

B. P. Wood visit to New York We are informed that our esteemed friend Betsey P. Wood has a prospect of attending the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York as companion to our esteemed friend Mary Shove which concern was fully united with by this ~~and the womens~~ meeting and the clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

(Complaint from the Overseers above referred to)

We believe it our duty to inform the meeting that Edmund Jenney does not attend our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future and has also married out of the order of our Society with one not in profession with us.

5th mo 15. 1851
Rufus Sherman }
Wm P Howland } Overseers

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

1851. 6th mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6th mo 26 1851
Representatives from New Bedford Henry T. Wood Joseph Kempton — Longplain Gideon Wood, Jonathan Cowen who are present:-

Dennis Wood Jas. Jordan visit Our beloved friends Dennis Wood of Alum Creek Monthly and Quarterly Meeting in the State of Ohio and James Jordan of Amawalk Monthly Meeting New York attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials from their respective meetings expressive of the unity of their friends with their ministry and present religious engagements. Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each respectively.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers

6mo 1851 from the Preparative meetings to the first, second and tenth –
Queries a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwaded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Rufus Greenman, George Wing, Edmund Gardner & Richard Davis are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

E. Tenney disowned The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to visit Edmund Tenney presented the following report which was read and considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society. Geo. Wing is named to inform him hereof.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Edmund Tenney in consequence of his marrying out of the order of our Society in which he gave us distinctly to understand that he wished no further connection with our society

Elisha Thornton
New Bedford 6mo 26, 1851 George Wing

Our esteemed friend Betsey P. Wood returned at this time a minute furnished her last month to attend the Yearly Meeting of New York with an endorsement from that meeting stating that her company had been acceptable.

R. Davis visit to South Kingston We are informed that our beloved friend Ruth Davis had a prospect of making a religious visit to the families of Friends belonging to South Kingston Monthly Meeting and also of appointing a meeting at Jamestown which concern is fully united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct, being a minister in unity with us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a copy of this minute

Attest Wm. C. Taber clerk.

7mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 24, 1851
Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Davis, Alexander Stillman — Longplain Perry Wilbour, Jabez P. Wood who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended except one for whose absence a sufficient reason is assigned.

Report Boardg School Com. Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee together with a regulation of discipline adopted by the same meeting in regard to the manner of making additions to the meetings of ministers and elders were received and read at this time to our satisfaction.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island in the sixth mo. 1851.

To the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings—

The subjoined annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was presented and read, and a committee was appointed to take the same into consideration, and report their judgment on the propositions contained therein to a future sitting.

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, Sixth Month, 1851.

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, Report—that they have given attention to their appointment, and from time to time met as a Committee at large and by Sub-Committees for the supervision of the School and its various concerns.

The Committee have, they trust, felt the weight and importance of their interesting charge, and have endeavored according to their ability to promote in the Institution a religious, guarded education, consistent with our religious profession.

The School during the year has been under the charge of our friends Silas and Sarah M. Cornell as Superintendents.—Charles Atherton and Moses C. Stevens have served as Teachers through the year, in the male department, with the addition of John Henry Crossman during the Winter Term. In the female department we have had the services of Anna B. Page and Anna Inman during the Summer Term, and of the latter with Deborah Holway and Mary W. Hawkes during the Winter Term. Elizabeth Prosser has also been engaged as Teacher of drawing, and has had the care of some of the younger scholars in both Schools during the year. Instruction in the Latin and Greek Languages has been given by George Peirce for both terms, and in the French Language during the Winter Term by Louise Parrot, a native French Teacher.

The average number of scholars has been ninety-two, viz., forty-eight males and forty-four females.

During the Summer Term, the health of the family was generally good. In the Winter Term the measles prevailed to a great extent among the scholars, there having been forty-six cases among one hundred and twenty-one scholars in the School at the time.

It was cause of thankfulness that all these cases terminated in recovery to health, except one. Mary Smith, daughter of Moses Smith, of Dartmouth, an interesting young woman, of amiable disposition and very exemplary deportment, was removed by death. She took the disease while laboring under some other bodily infirmities, which probably tended to increase its severity. Her strength rapidly declined, and after being confined to her room four days only, her gentle spirit passed away on the evening of the 21st of First month, being a few days over 18 years of age.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School Fund have been audited.

The expenditures of the School for the year ending with the Winter Term have been $13,413 12.

The Income received from the School Fund has been $7,495—and from board, tuition, and other sources, $6,137 77. Total income, including balance of last year, $13,632 77;—leaving unexpended in the Superintendent's hands $219 65, an amount about equal to that in hand in Spring of 1850. Beside the above expenditures, the sum of $529 50 has been expended on improvements on the farm and premises, and in the purchase of scientific Books, from funds specially appropriated to those objects.

We would propose that the terms for board and tuition the coming year, should remain as last year, viz.: for members of our Yearly Meeting Thirty Dollars per Term—for members of other Yearly Meetings Fifty Dollars per Term—and for children not members, one or both of whose parents are members of our Yearly Meeting, Forty-five Dollars per Term, and that the same price be charged for any others who may be admitted. Five Dollars per Term additional charge being made in all cases for instruction in the Languages.

That the amount to be appropriated the coming year, for free board and tuition, be restricted to the amount of the income of the charitable fund. Monthly Meetings to send forward to the School Committee, at their Meetings in the Ninth and Third months, the names and ages of such children, within their limits, as they may think suitable to receive the benefit of the Fund, and any information regarding them which may our young Friends a love for the religious profession of the Society in which they have the privilege of membership, and a continued and increasing solicitude, that the precious doctrines professed by us may be faithfully upheld before the world—that the injunction of our blessed Saviour may be increasingly obeyed amongst us, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven."

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee,
STEPHEN A. CHASE, *Clerk.*

Providence, 6th month 3d, 1851.

The Meeting for Sufferings having proposed a regulation of Discipline as to the manner of making additions to our Meetings of Ministers and Elders, (the subject having been referred to that Meeting by this Meeting last year,) it claimed our solid consideration, and was referred for further deliberation to our next sitting.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Boarding School Committee, made the following Report, viz:

"To the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

The Committee of men and women Friends appointed to consider the subject of authorizing the Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School, to discontinue as way may open for it, the meetings for worship for the scholars and family in the house, and to provide for them to attend meetings for worship in Providence—Report: That they have taken the subject into solid consideration, and they would recommend that the proposition in the Report of the Boarding School Committee in relation thereto, be adopted by the Yearly Meeting. On behalf of the Committee,

ESTES NEWHALL,
RUTH H. BAKER.

Newport, 6th mo. 18th, 1851."

—which is satisfactory, and the Report of the School Committee is adopted, and the Clerk directed to forward copies of it to our subordinate Meetings.

The proposition of a regulation of Discipline in regard to the manner of making additions to our Meetings of Ministers and Elders, being now again brought before us, claimed our solid consideration, and was united with by this Meeting, and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, is adopted and established as Discipline—and the Clerk is directed to have it printed in suitable form and furnished to subordinate meetings, to be by them inserted in the Book of Discipline, and to go into effect when the meetings shall have received a copy of the same. It is as follows:—

"Instead of the paragraph commencing on the 78th page with the words "As these are officers, &c." and ending on the 79th page with the words "case of Elders," in the edition of the printed discipline of 1849.—the following paragraphs are to be substituted, viz.:

In the appointment of Elders, the following order is to be observed—Whenever it shall appear on solid consideration to any Monthly Meeting that an appointment of an Elder or Elders in such Monthly Meeting is right and proper, the Monthly Meeting are to appoint a Committee to consider of a suitable friend or friends rightly qualified for that station. The Monthly meeting both of men and women uniting therein. When said Committee are united in judgment, that any friend is rightly qualified for such station, they shall in writing request the Quarterly Meeting to appoint a Committee to join with them in considering the subject, without communicating the name or names of the friends proposed. The Quarterly Meeting shall thereupon comply with such request, the men and women's meeting uniting therein; and if the Committee of the Quarterly Meeting so appointed shall advise thereto, the Committee of the Monthly Meeting shall propose such friend or friends to their Monthly Meeting; and after the Monthly Meeting have approved such, adjudging them duly anointed and qualified for that service, as they are officers of the church at large, let them acquaint the Quarterly Meeting therewith, who after waiting for their concurring unity, and finding nothing to hinder, are to minute the same, and the friend or friends so appointed, may then sit in any of our Meetings of Ministers and Elders. Information of such appointments is to be given by the Quarterly to the select Quarterly Meetings, and by each of the Quarterly Meetings to the Yearly Meeting, and the names of the friends appointed are to be entered on the minutes of the select Quar-

7 Mo 1851 Printed copies of the aforesaid regulation of discipline were also received and Charles R. Tucker is directed to cause the same to be inserted in the copies of the Discipline belonging to this meeting or its members.

140 copies of the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting
200 " of the London General Epistle
240 " of the Epistle from London Yearly Meeting
directed to its junior members were also received and directed to be distributed among our members. Henry T. Wood, Gideon Wood, Richard Davis & Marlboro. Bradford are named to perform this service.

Com. on admission Board.g School Charles R. Tucker, Benjamin Taber, Geo. Howland & Wm R Taber and Richard Davis are appointed to take the necessary care with respect to children about to enter the Boarding School at Providence and parents are requested to make seasonable application to them for certificates previous to their being sent to it. They are also directed to present the case of any child whom they may consider entitled to the priviledge of the charitable fund of said School to the general School Committee at the times mentioned in the report.

London General Epistle The London general Epistle of the past year was read in this meeting to our edification and acceptance. An Epistle from the same meeting to its junior members was also read to our satisfaction and the Overseers of this meeting are requested to cause it to be read at the close of our several meetings for worship on first day morning next.

Quarterly Meet.g Stock The following communication from our last Quarterly Meeting was received and read by which it appears that our proportion of the sum required for the service of that meeting the ensuing year is twelve hundred fifteen dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that meeting when the state of the Treasury will admit.

"The representatives report that they have conferred together and agreed to propose that the sum of twenty seven hundred dollars be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year, which was united with and our several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportions of that sum to our Treasurer.

From the minutes of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Falmouth 7 Mo 3 1851

Wm C Taber Clerk

New Bedford Monthly Meetings proportion of the above sum is twelve hundred fifteen dollars."

7 mo 1851 The Committee appointed in the 3rd mo 1849 to propose
Com. on the names of Friends to serve this meeting in the Station of Elders
Elders are now released from that service with the concurrence of
released the Womens meeting.

The friend named to inform Edmund Jenney of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has informed him.

Attest Wm C. Taber clk

8 mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8 mo 28. 1851.
Representatives from New Bedford Wm P. Howland Allen Kelley — Longplain Marlborough Bradford John R Davis Jr who are present except one who is prevented from attending by sickness.

Complaint
Jn^o H Gardner
The following complaint being received from the Overseers ~~we appoint~~ against John H. Gardner we appoint William Gifford and Ch^s R. Tucker to visit him on account of his deviation in marriage and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

ack. rec^d
Ruth Morse
We unite with the Womens meeting in accepting an acknowledgement from Ruth Morse late Kelley on account of her deviation in marriage and in continuing her a member of our religious Society.

S. Howland
returned
Minute
Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the Tenth month to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island & Smithfield and some of the meetings belonging thereto — She also presented returning minutes from both those Quarterly Meetings and from the Monthly Meetings of Providence and Smithfield expressive of their satisfaction with her company and religious services and she informed the meeting that she had been favoured to perform the service required of her to the peace of her own mind — which is acceptable to friends.

S. Howland
visit
to Vassalb^o
& Fairfield
She also informed the meeting that she had a prospect of attending the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Vassalborough and Fairfield and such of the meetings constituting them as way may open or in the Truth — which claiming the solid consideration of the meeting was fully united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein as Truth may open the way — She being a minister in unity with us. The clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

1. Complaint from the Overseers
John H. Gardner a member of this meeting has

8mo 1851 married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member

New Bedford 8mo 21, 1851 Rufus Shearman
To N Bedford Mo Mg Wm P Howland Overseers

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

9mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 25, 1851
Representatives from New Bedford Alexander Hillman Harrison Magoon — Longplain Richard Davis, Thomas Inman who are present.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers which were approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Sands Wing, Rufus Shearman Wm R Taber and Henry T Wood are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Com. on Funerals &c The Committee appointed to have the oversight of funerals and care of Burial grounds presented the following report which was accepted and the friends now under appointment with the addition of Gideon Wood are continued on the same service for the ensuing year or until another appointment — to report in the 9th month next.

(Names of Committee — Joseph Taber, George Howland Jr Benjn Swift, Rufus Shearman, Charles R Tucker, William P. Howland, Henry T. Wood, Wm Gifford, Ed. Gardner Abm Davis, Richard Davis, Sands Wing, Thomas H Howland Cornelius Macomber, Joseph R Wing, Wm R Taber, Thos Wood, Gideon Wood John Wood Elnathan C Delano Josiah Holmes Jr.)

To the Monthly Meeting

Report The committee having the care of funerals and burying grounds report, — that they have endeavored to give attention to the object of their appointment. All funerals held under the care of Friends have been attended we think by some of our number. — The erection of four stones at Acushnet appears to be all the change in the several burial grounds since the last report. On behalf of the committee

New Bedford William R Taber
9mo 22, 1851 Charles R Tucker

R H Baker Ruth H Baker having requested a removal certificate for herself and family to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting of the Western District we appoint Charles R. Tucker and George Howland Jr to unite with a committee

9 Mo 1851 of the Womens Meeting in taking the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

R Davis returned Minute

Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the 6th month last and also presented a returning minute from South Kingston Monthly Meeting stating that her visit to the families of Friends in that Monthly Meeting had been accomplished to their satisfaction and comfort — She also informed us that she had been favored to perform the service greatly to the peace and comfort of her own mind — which is satisfactory to this meeting.

S. Howland returned Minute

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her last month to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Vassalborough and Fairfield and such of the meetings constituting them as way might open for in the Truth; and presented returning minutes from those Quarterly Meetings and from the Monthly Meetings of China, Sydney and Vassalborough stating that her company and religious services had been acceptable She also informed us that she had been enabled to perform the service required of her to the peace of her own mind — which is satisfactory to this meeting. Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

10 Mo 1851

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10 Mo 23, 1851

The representatives to this meeting are, from New Bedford Areli DeWolf, Henry T Wood — Longplain Gideon Wood & Joseph R King who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was given,

Complaint W Bradford

The following complaint from the Overseers was received via New Bedford Preparative Meeting against William Bradford — "to wit

We feel it our duty to inform the meeting that William Bradford has failed of paying his just debts, and in our judgement there are circumstances in the case which require the extension of care on the part of the Monthly Meeting,

New Bedford
10 Mo 12. 1851.

Rufus Shearman
Wm C Taber
Wm Howland
Overseers

10 mo 1851, Whereupon we appoint Abm Barker, Edmund Gardner and Charles R Tucker to extend such care and advice as the case may seem to require, and report their judgement to a future meeting.

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent Chas R Tucker is appointed Clerk for the day,

R H Baker & family removed — A removal certificate for Ruth H. Baker and her minor Children "viz" William P - Samuel - Robert B - Eleanor S - and Rachael G, Baker - to Philadelphia Mo Meeting for the Western District - is approved in Concurrence with the womens Meeting and directed to be signed by the clerk,

M H Dinsmore recd — We unite with the womens meeting in receiving Mary H Dinsmore wife of Philip Dinsmore into membership with us,

attest Chas R Tucker }
Clerk for the day }

11 mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 mo 27 1851

Representatives from New Bedford Edward W Howland Francis Bowman - Longplain Peleg Wilbur, Peter D. Slade who are present.

Queries — The queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a Summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Wm P Howland, Richard Davis, Henry T. Wood and Marlboro Bradford are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Complaint Chs Macomber — The following complaint being received from Longplain Preparative Meeting we appoint Richard Davis & Peleg Wilbur to visit Charles Macomber on account of his deviation and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

Charles Macomber has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not a member

Fairhaven 11 mo 19, 1851

Saml Wing }
John Wood } Overseers

We are informed that Wm P. Baker had deceased before the certificate in behalf of Ruth H Baker & family was forwarded - his name is therefore directed to be left out of the certificate.

Cert. recd H D. Swift — A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Henry D Swift & minors is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

It being at this time considered right and proper that

11mo 1851 an addition be made to our meeting of Ministers and Elders by bringing forward a friend or friends to serve this meeting in the Station of Elders and the womens meeting concurring herein we appoint Joseph Davis, Wm P. Howland, Daniel Davis, Philip Anthony, Wm Gifford, Richard Davis, Wm R. Taber, Thomas Wood & Henry T. Wood to take the subject into solid consideration and after pursuing the course pointed out in our discipline to present the names of such friends as they may deem rightly qualified for that service to a future meeting.

Com. on Elders appd

Charles R Tucker informs that he has inserted the regulation of discipline adopted at our last Yearly Meeting in relation to additions to the meetings of ministers & Elders in all the books of discipline belonging to this Monthly, Meeting or its meetings that have come to his hands.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

12mo 1851 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 25 1851
Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Davis, Joseph Kempton — Longplain John Wood, Joseph R Wing who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Rochester Com.

The Committee appointed to visit the meeting at Rochester presented the following report which was read and accepted and in accordance therewith the meeting is continued another year under the care of a Committee — the Womens meeting concurring herein. The Committee now under appointment to visit that meeting are continued on the same service and are requested to report in the 12th month next.

"To the Monthly Meeting

Report

The Committee appointed in the 12th month last to visit the meeting at Rochester report that the service has been performed from time to time by members of the Committee as way has opened for it and on conferring together they are united in recommending that the meeting be continued as heretofore under the care of a committee. Which is submitted to the Monthly Meeting.

By direction of the Committee
New Bedford Wm C Taber
12mo 25, 1851 Rhoda Howland

M W Dinsmore removed

We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to China Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary W Dinsmore wife of Philip Dinsmore.

Overseers appd

The time for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, the same friends are continued on that service another year or until another appointment.

12 Mo 1851 (They are as follows Wm P. Howland Rufus Greenman Wm R. Taber Sands Wing, John Wood and Wm C Taber)

S. Howland, visit to Salem Dover & ~~Fairfield~~ Falmouth

Our beloved friend Susan Howland informed this meeting that she apprehended it to be her duty to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Salem, Dover & Falmouth and to visit such of the meetings constituting them as way may open for in the truth — which concern claiming the consideration of this meeting was fully united with and she set at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct, she being a minister in unity with us. The clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Auditors appd

Matthew Howland, Wm Gifford and Edmund Gardner are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts to ascertain what sum will be necessary for the service of this meeting another year and to propose the name of a friend to serve as Treasurer. They are also directed to audit the accts of the Trustees of John Wests Estate and also the accts of the Committee having charge of the Educational and Charitable Fund of our late friend A. Greenman Jr — to report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Assist Wm C Taber Clerk

Mo 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held Mo 22 1852

Representatives from New Bedford Alexr Hillman, Rufus Greenman — Dartmouth Richard Davis Peleg Wilbur who are present

Auditors report

The Committee appointed at our last monthly meeting to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and to audit the accounts of the different Trust funds in charge of this meeting presented the following report which was read and accepted and in compliance therewith it is concluded to raise the sum of twelve hundred dollars for the service of this meeting ~~the ensuing year~~ and Henry T. Wood is reappointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Com. on Collections

Wm Gifford, Silas [illegible], Alexr Howland, Ed. and G. Taber, Gideon Wood and Ed. W. Howland are appointed to receive subscriptions for this amo. and to present the Treasurers receipts therefor at a future meeting.

Report —

Treas. appd

We have this day examined and settled the account of Henry T. Wood Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting and find a balance in his hands of ninety seven 82/100 dollars and recommend that the sum of twelve hundred dollars be raised for the use of the meeting this year — We would propose the name of

1mo 1852 Henry T. Wood for Treasurer the ensuing year

A. S. Jr
Ed. Fund
We have audited the accounts of Geo. Howland Jr Treas of the Educational Fund and find that six children have been educated for one term at Providence Boarding School at an expense of one hundred eighty dollars leaving a balance in the Treasurers hands of twenty five dollars.

Jno Wests
Estate
We have also examined and settled the account of the Trustees of John Wests Estate and find a balance in their hands of twenty four 31/100 dollars — they have assisted the past year about forty individuals to the amount of two hundred sixty three dolls.

A S Jr
Charitable
Fund
Upon examination of the account of the Committee who are charged with the distribution of the income from the donation of our late friend Abm Shearman Jr we learn that they have rendered assistance the past year to thirty five persons to the amount of two hundred five dollars leaving a balance of thirty six dollars in their hands.

(Signed) Matthew Howland
Wm Gifford
Edmund Gardner

New Bedford 1mo 21. 1852

Com. on
Ed. & Chari
Fund
appd
The friends now under appointment to have charge of the Educational and Charitable funds of our late friend Abm Shearman Jr are continued on the same service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

(Committee on Educational Fund Charles R Tucker Joseph Taber Geo. Howland Jr, Wm R Taber & Richard Davis

/ Com. on Charitable Fund Geo. Howland, Henry T Wood Wm Gifford, Ed. W Howland & Wm C Taber /

H. Magoon
Harrison Magoon having requested a removal certificate for himself and wife to Falmouth Monthly Meeting we appoint Charles R. Tucker and Wm P. Howland to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meetg

Judith Hussey
removed
We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Western District on behalf of Judith F Hussey wife of Edward Hussey.

Com. to
visit
Geo Hussey
Two of the friends appointed in the 4th month 1849 to visit Geo. Hussey having requested to be excused from further care in the case we appoint Edmund Gardner Danl. Davis and Henry T. Wood in connection with the remaining member of the committee to treat with him in the feelings of gospel love on the subject of the complaint and report at a future meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

2mo 1852

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 26 1852
Representatives from New Bedford, Joseph Taber, Allen Tilley
- Longplain Gideon Wood, Cornelius Macomber who are present.

2mo 1852 The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed
Clerks having expired Wm C Taber is reappointed Clerk and
app.d Charles R Tucker assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The following complaint being received from the overseers
Complaint against John D Kempton we appoint Charles R. Tucker and
J D Kempton Thomas Wood to visit and treat with him on account of the subjects complained of and report to a future meeting.

"To the Monthly Meeting

We feel it our duty to report to the meeting that John D Kempton has failed to manage his affairs and pay his just debts as our discipline requires

Fairhaven 2mo 17 1852

Sands Wing
Wm R Taber
John Wood"

H. Magoon A removal certificate to Falmouth Monthly Meetg
removed named on behalf of Henson Magoon and his wife Eunice H. is approved with the concurrence of the womens meetg.

Recorders Charles R Tucker is reappointed recorder and
app.d Wm R Taber and Richard Davis assistant recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The Burial Ground Committee are requested to keep a record of the interments in the several burial grounds belonging to this Monthly Meeting and to report the same in the 12th month next.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

3mo 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3mo 25 1852

Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Davis, [illegible] — Longplain Peleg Wilbur, Alexander Howland who are present.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings; — A Summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

R W Russell A removal certificate being requested to Hamburg Mo
removed Metg State of New York on behalf of Robert Wing Russell a minor we appoint George Howland Jr and Charles R Tucker to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

Edmund Gardner, Daniel Davis, Richard Davis and Thomas Wood are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Cert. rec.d A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting
J. Gifford on behalf of Joseph Gifford and his wife Mary Gifford is
& wife accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting

We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meetg stock had been paid to the Treasr of that meeting

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

4 m° 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 m° 22 1852

Representatives from New Bedford Henry T Wood and Wm Gifford — Longplain Cornelius Macomber & Jon.a Cowen who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

R W Russell A removal certificate to Hamburg Monthly Meetg (State of New York) on behalf of Robert Wing Russell a minor is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

O Davis Com. released The committee appointed in the 4th month last year on the application of Obadiah Davis to be received into membership presented the following report which was accepted and the committee are accordingly released from further care in the case. ~~and~~ Thomas Wood is appointed to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report Since our appointment some of the Committee have had several opportunities with Obadiah Davis on the subject of his request — and from his present views and feelings it is our judgment that it will be best to dismiss the case from the minutes — which we submit to the meeting.

Fairhaven 4 m° 22 1852

Thomas Wood
Wm Gifford
Josiah Holmes 2d

Thomas Inman Thomas Inman having requested a removal certificate for himself and family to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting we appoint Wm R Taber and Josiah Holmes 2d to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

R S Howland visit to New York Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland, a minister with whom we have unity, informed this meeting that she had a prospect of attending the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York if way should open for it — which concern claiming the solid consideration of friends was fully united with and she encouraged to proceed therein as truth may open the way.

The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

W C Taber & wife to N York Our beloved friend Wm C Taber informed this meeting that he had a prospect of attending New York Yearly Meeting in company with his wife Hannah T Taber as companions to our friend Rachel S. Howland which was fully united with by this meeting — they being ~~a~~ members in good esteem with us.

The assistant clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with a minute embracing the substance of this.

4 Mo 1852 We concur with the womens meeting in disowning
Avis Tripp Avis Tripp late Bowman as a member of our religious Society
disowned on account of her deviation in marriage.

We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a
C C Hussey removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf
Cert recd of Cornelia C. Hussey wife of William H Hussey.

We also unite with the same meeting in approving a
M H Delano removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf
removed of Mary H Delano and her niece Eliza Howland a minor.

The time for which the overseers of the poor of this meeting
Overseers Poor were appointed having expired, the same friends are con-
appd tinued on that service for the year ensuing or until another
appointment.

ack: recd We unite with the womens meeting in accepting an
M W Shearman acknowledgement from Mary Wing ~~Howland~~ Shearman late
Howland for her deviation in marriage and in continuing
her in membership with us.

Jno D Kempton William C Taber is added to the committee in the case
of John D Kempton.

5 Mo 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
5 Mo 27. 1852

Representative from New Bedford Rufus
Shearman Daniel Davis – Longplain Peleg Wilbur
and John R Davis Jr who are present.

The clerk of this meeting being absent, Chas
R Tucker is appointed clerk for the day.

The friend named last month to inform
Obadiah Davis of the conclusion of this meeting
in his case reports that he has informed him.

T. Inman & A removal certificate to Dartmouth
family remd Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Inman
and family is approved in concurrence
with the womens Meeting.

New The following minute from New Bedford
Burial Preparative Meeting upon the subject of a new
Ground burial ground, was recd read and approved
by this meeting; and the overseers are authorized
to receive the deed of said Lot when purchased, it
being understood that the members of New Bedford
Preparative meeting are to subscribe a sum
sufficient to meet the expense thereof.

"The committee appointed in the 12th
month last upon the subject of a new

5 Mo. 1852 burial ground — Report; that a lot of about two acres on Dartmouth Street

Report South of the Rural Cemetary would be a suitable place, and can be purchased for about one thousand dollars, which the committee reccommend for the consideration of the Meeting.

This report being satisfactory the Committee now under appointment are authorized to purchase said lot, and make such improvements by properly fencing and prepareing it in a suitable manner for the purpose, for which it is intended — and see that a suitable conveyance be made to the Overseers of New Bedford Monthly Meeting, provided it meets with the approval of that Meeting.

And to make such collections from the members of this meeting as will enable them to meet the expense of said purchase and improvements, and when completed report to this Meeting.

The Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute to the Mo. meeting."

attest Chas R Tucker Clerk for the day,

6 Mo. 1852. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 Mo. 24. 1852

Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner Wm Gifford — Longplain Richard Davis, Silas Delano who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

Daniel Barker Our beloved friend Daniel Barker of North-

Visit Carolina attended this meeting and presented satisfactory certificates from Holly Spring Monthly Meeting, Southern Quarterly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders of North-Carolina expressive of the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements

His company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

J. Newlin Our beloved friend Joseph Newlin also attended this meeting as companion to Daniel Barker and presented satisfactory certificates from Marlboro Mo. Mtg. and Southern Quarterly Meeting, North Carolina. His company has been acceptable to us.

O. Meader Our beloved friend Oliver Meader attended this Meeting as companion to Martha Meader and presented a satisfactory minute from Sandwich Monthly Meeting

6 mo 1852 NewHampshire. His company has been acceptable to us
The clerk is directed to furnish the before named friends with copies of minutes as they relate to each.

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the first Second and tenth, a Summary of which was approved and directected to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives; to which service we appoint Edmund Gardner Josiah Holmes Jr, Wm C Taber and Peleg Wilbur.

M. Meaders visit — Our beloved friend Martha Meader attended this meeting and presented satisfactory certificates from Sandwich Monthly Meeting NewHampshire and from Dover Quarterly Meeting expressive of the unity of her friends with her ministry, and present religious engagements. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us and the clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

R. S Howland returned Minute — Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the 4th month last to perform a religious visit to New York Yearly Meetg and presented a satisfactory returning minute from the Meeting of Ministers & Elders of that Yearly Meeting — She also informed us that she had been enabled to perform the service, entered upon in much weakness, to the relief of her own mind: — Which is ~~satisfactory~~ acceptable to friends.

W C Taber & wife — Our esteemed friend William C Taber returned to this meeting a minute furnished himself and wife Hannah L Taber in the 4th month last to accompany Rachel S Howland in her visit to New York Yearly Meetg and presented a satisfactory returning minute from that Yearly Meeting which is acceptable to friends

Cert. recd L A Ricketson — We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Lydia Ann Ricketson wife of Benjamin Ricketson.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

7 mo 1852 At NewBedford Monthly Meeting held 7 mo 22 1852
Representatives from NewBedford Henry T. Wood Seth K Akin — Longplain Sands Wing Cornelius Macomber who are all present except one whose absence is occasioned by indisposition.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting

Mo 1852 embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee -
Report Bd. S. a minute of advice to Monthly Meetings on the subject of de-
Committee &c ficiences in recording births and deaths - also an alteration
received in the discipline in regard to marriages in the kindred by affinity
and another on the subject of burial grounds were read in
this meeting to our acceptance.

Com. on In complyance with the advice given in regard to
Records records we appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, Gideon Wood
Jona. Cowen & Geo. Howland 2d to report to the Recorders all births,
deaths and burials that may occur during their appointment
within the preparative meetings to which they belong, and to take
such care in the premises in connection with the Recorders in
their respective particular meetings that our records may
present an accurate account of all our members.

Alteration Printed copies of the alteration of Discipline in
in Discipline regard to burial grounds were received and the clerk
Burial Grounds is directed to cause the same to be incerted in the books
& Marriage by of discipline belonging to this Monthly Meeting. And also
Affinity to expunge the article on the subject of marriage by affinity.

140 copies of the printed minutes of our last Yearly
Meeting and 180 copies of the London general epistle were
also received and Daniel Davis, Jabez Wood Silas Delano
Henry T Wood Josiah Holmes 2d and Joseph R. Wing are
named to distribute them among our members.

Com. on Charles R Tucker, Joseph Tates, Geo Howland 2d
admissions Wm R Taber & Richard Davis are appointed to take the
to the Board. necessary care in regard to children about to enter the Boardg.
School &c School at Providence and friends are requested to make seas-
onable application to them for certificates previous to their
being sent there. They are also directed to present the case
of any child whom they may consider entitled to the benefit
of the charitable fund of said School, to the general School Com-
mittee at the times mentioned in the report.

London Epistle The London general epistle of last year was
read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

Our beloved friend Charles Taber of Fairhaven
Chs. Taber Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a
visit satisfactory minute from his friends expressive of their
unity with his ministry and present religious engagements
His company and religious services have been very accept-
able to us.

Our beloved friend Paul Southwick of Ha Salle
P. Southwick Mo. Mtg. also attended this meeting as companion to
Charles Taber and presented a satisfactory minute from
that Monthly Meeting. His company has been acceptable

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island in the sixth month, 1852.

To the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings—

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee is approved and adopted and the Clerk is directed to forward copies of it to our several subordinate meetings.

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee for the superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence, report, that the objects of their appointment have received their attention. Meetings of the Committee have been held at the school-house monthly, and the schools have been visited in the intervals of these meetings by members of the Committee deputed to that service. The semi-annual examinations at the close of each term have also been attended by the Committee.

The deportment of the scholars, with few exceptions, has been orderly, and their improvement in their studies satisfactory, evincing industry on the part of the teachers and a commendable disposition on the part of the pupils to profit by the advantages enjoyed at the school.

Among the subjects of more particular concern with the Committee, has been that of enforcing the necessity of thoroughness in teaching and learning the rudimental parts of an English education—correct reading, spelling, and writing a good hand; while more advanced studies, including the Latin, Greek and French languages, mathematics, &c., have been regularly raught.

A knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and of our religious principles and testimonies, so far as it may be imparted by school education, has been considered important, and its acquisition has been an object of concern and attention in the school; and much labor has, from time to time, been bestowed to promote conformity to our well-known and consistent practice in relation to simplicity in dress and the use of the plain language.

The rules of the school in relation to these and other subjects, were, at the first meeting of the Committee the last year, revised, and having been printed, were directed to be furnished to each scholar on entering the school, and to the School Committees of the several Monthly Meetings; and it is very desirable and important that Committees of Monthly Meetings should carefully consider, when they are applied to for certificates for scholars to be admitted to the school, of the fitness of such applicants as to their habits and moral standing, as well as docility and willingness to conform to the wholesome discipline and rules of the school; and to grant certificates with due and proper discrimination in these respects.

The proposition of the School Committee to our last Yearly Meeting, in reference to the discontinuance of the holding of meetings for worship in the school-house, having been adopted by the Yearly Meeting, the subject was carefully deliberated upon by the School Committee at their meeting 7th month, 1st, and it was our conclusion that the meetings for worship in Providence should after that time, until the Committee should conclude otherwise, be considered the meetings for the scholars and family to attend.

We believe that advantages have resulted from this arrangement of much greater importance than sufficient to outweigh the difficulties sometimes experienced of all the family attending there. These difficulties have arisen chiefly in inclement weather, and when it would be improper for children, and particularly females, to walk the distance to the meeting in Providence. But the advantages are many and important: giving the children an opportunity to mingle, according to their several capacities, in religious concern, in a meeting for worship composed of many Friends with whom they are not associated at other times, and a meeting held in the public manner in which our society have always felt themselves bound to hold their meetings for religious worship.

During the last summer, under the care of the Committee having charge of repairs, new warming apparatus in the school-house, and other improvements, including a very complete arrangement for the supply of rain water, and its use in the facilities for bathing and washing in the eastern wing of the school-house have been made, and have been found beneficial in promoting the health and comfort of the family. Our late valued friend George Howland, kindly gave his personal attention and superintendence to this work during its progress, and farther manifested his interest in the prosperity and good of the Institution, by contributing liberally towards the expenditure in thus adding to the comforts and conveniences of the school.

At our meeting in the second month the Committee came to the conclusion that the Institution, having been in constant operation, with the short vacations, since its first opening in the year 1819, no sufficient time had been afforded to make that thorough repair and renovation of the house which the convenience, health and comfort of the family require; and it appearing that alterations in some of the rooms, and several other matters of importance are necessary to be done, important advantages would be derived by vacating the school for the coming summer term, for a thorough repair and renovation of the school-house and appurtenances, the subject was laid before the Meeting for Sufferings for their advice in relation thereto. That meeting advised and consented that the school should be vacated until the time of the Yearly Meeting, for the proposed purposes, and that the subject of a longer vacation be then brought before the Yearly Meeting for their decision.

In the mean time a sub-committee has been authorized to proceed with such of the proposed repairs and improvements as are earliest required, relying upon the approval of the Yearly Meeting and the liberality of Friends to supply the necessary means to defray the expenditure.

We have thought that at the present time it might be interesting and useful to remind Friends of the early concern of the Yearly Meeting in the establishment of a school for the "virtuous education" of the youth of our society, and briefly to advert to the progress of this engagement as manifested by a reference to the records of the Yearly Meeting and Meeting for Sufferings.

So far as we discover, the first minute that was made upon the subject in the Yearly Meeting was in the year 1779, when official informatian was called for from the subordinate meetings in relation to the state of education among them. The next year, 1780, after solid consideration, it was concluded to attempt the establishment of a school; and it was recommended to "the several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings the promoting of free, liberal and voluntary subscriptions, donations, bequests and devises, adequate to the design and importance of the subject"—"and that it become the care of Friends in future, in all the Meetings, to promote, annually, subscriptions to be applied to the use of the school, until the income of the fund shall be sufficient, and so make such annual subscriptions unnecessary."

The subject was then committed to the care and management of the Meeting for Sufferings, which accordingly proceeded to take charge of the case, and entered vigorously upon the work. It was a time when Friends, in common with others, were laboring under many difficulties and embarrassments, in consequence of the war then exeisting between this country and Great Britain. Nevertheless, in 1782 the Meeting for Sufferings issued a powerful and extended printed address to Friends, in which they quote the memorable words of George Fox, when he expressed his concern that our children should be instructed in "whatsoever things were civil and useful in the creation."

This address was liberally responded to, considering the pecuniary situation of most of our members at that time, and from year to year, funds were raised and forwarded to the Meeting for Sufferings. Rhode Island Monthly Meeting contributed freely of the income of property in its possession. A room in the meeting-house at Portsmouth, R. I., was prepared for the reception of scholars, and the school was opened under the care of Isaac Lawton as teacher, in the 11th month, 1784.

A very judicious code of Rules and Regulations was prepared by the Meeting for Sufferings for the observance of the teacher and scholars, and in a minute on record, they say—"Besides the necessary literary instruction, the children are to be taught habits of regularity, of decency, of respectful subordination to their superiors, of forbearance, affection and kindness towards each other, and of religious reverence towards their Maker, and those habits of silence and recollection, taught and practised in the ancient schools, and inculcated in the Holy Scriptures."

The school appears to have been continued until the year 1788, when the funds being found to be inadequate for its support, they being chiefly applied to the board and instruction of the children of the poor, it was concluded best by the Yearly Meeting to vacate it for a time, or until some more adequate provision could be made for its support, and the funds on hand were placed on interest to be increased from time to time by subscriptions and donations.

The concern for re-opening the school was frequently revived in the Yearly Meeting, but it was not thought prudent to take any decided step towards its re-establishment until the following communication was received from our late valued friend Moses Brown, viz:

"Providence, 4th of 5th mo. 1814.

To the Meeting for Sufferings:

Dear Friends—As my feeble state of health prevents my attending the Meeting at this time, I thought best to inform you that in the course of my confinement by bodily indisposition for some time past, the subject of the Yearly Meeting's School has been renewedly brought under my consideration. And believing that a permanent institution for a guarded education of the rising generation will be promotive of their usefulness in society and the honor of truth, I have, for the furtherance of these desirable objects, concluded to give a tract of land on the west part of my homestead farm, containing about forty-three acres, for the purpose of erecting suitable buildings for the Boarding School thereon: provided the Meeting should consider it an eligible situation, and conclude to carry into effect the establishment of the benevolent institution thereon. If the Meeting should appoint a committee to view the ground, consider of the proposal and report their prospect to the next Meeting for Sufferings, which may be more generally attended, they can then act upon it, as it shall appear to them best. You will however dispose of the proposal in this or any other way that appears to you best. As treasurer of the School Fund, I may for your information mention, that its present amount is about nine thousand three hundred dollars. With desires that this important subject may be considered, and proceeded in in conformity to the mind of Truth, that we may hope for its blessing,

I conclude, your affectionate friend,

MOSES BROWN."

Subscriptions were now renewedly recommended Friends to for the purpose of proceeding in the establishment of the School upon a more extended plan and more permanent basis than before, which were so liberally made, that in the sixth month 1815, it was concluded after mature deliberation, "that the time has come when it will be best to proceed in making provision for erecting buildings for the necessary accommodation of the Boarding School on the lot proposed to be given by our friend Moses Brown."

Friends very generally throughout the Yearly Meeting contributed according to their ability to promote an object which they felt to be very desirable for the interests of our religious society, and the necessary buildings being completed and properly furnished, the school was opened the 1st of 1st month, 1819.

While many might be enumerated who gave liberally towards its establishment and contributed annually for its support during the infancy of the institution, the following Friends have left bequests in their wills, which constitute a fund, by means of the income of which more than one half of the expense of each scholar who is a member of our Yearly Meeting is defrayed, viz: Thomas Folsom, Lydia Tillinghast, Sylvester Wickes, Obadiah Brown, Moses Brown, Amy Green and Abraham Shearman, Jr.

Since the School has been in operation subscriptions among a limited number of Friends have been several times made for specific objects, as the enlargement of the School buildings, the procuring of philosophical apparatus, &c. by which we believe much usefulness has been derived to the school.

There are now many improvements and repairs proposed—all very desirable and some absolutely necessary.

If the Yearly Meeting deems it proper to recommend a subscription for these purposes, we cannot doubt it will be entered into with cheerfulness and liberality. We trust there are none among us, who will not be disposed to do something for this institution—and however small may be the contribution, that some individuals may feel themselves able to make, it will be acceptable and will place them on the list of those, who, according to their ability, are benefactors to an institution, alike intended for the benefit of all—and the usefulness of which has already been extensively felt within our borders, and which we trust under the blessing of Divine Providence, will continue to be experienced not only in our day, but in succeeding generations.

We have had during the past year in the school, the services of our friends Silas and Sarah M. Cornell as Superintendents,—Charles Atherton and Moses C. Stevens as Teachers in the boys' school, with the addition of John Henry Crossman for the summer, and of William Foster Mitchell for the winter term.

Deborah Holway and Mary Ann Stanton have been engaged as teachers in the girls' school, assisted during the winter term by Sarah Alice Cornell.

Instruction in the Latin and Greek languages has been given during the summer term by George Pierce and the winter term by Charles F. Brownell.

Elizabeth Prosser has also, as last year, been engaged as Teacher of Drawing and has had the care of some of the younger scholars in both schools during the year. Instruction has also been given in the French language.

The average number of scholars has been 89, viz: 48 males and 41 females.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School Fund have been audited.

The expenditures of the School for the year ending with the winter term, have been—

By Superintendent, - -	$15,168 30	
Interest and insurance paid by Treasurer,	159 17	
		$15,327 47
The income from the School Fund,	$6,838 51	
Balance in Treasurer's hands last year,	178 81	
Hired of Manufacturers' Bank, -	2,500 00	
Advanced by the Treasurer, - -	51 85	
		9,569 17
From Board, Tuition and other sources, including balance in Superintendent's hands last year,		6,034 95
		$15,604 12
Leaving unexpended in Superintendents hands,		276 65
		$15,327 47

From income of funds specially appropriated to the purpose, a further sum has been expended on the farm and premises, of $390 00

We recommend that the terms of last year for board and tuition be continued—books and stationery being charged at actual cost, viz:—for members of our Yearly Meeting thirty dollars per term, for members of other Yearly Meetings, fifty dollars per term, and for children not members, one or both of whose parents are members of our Yearly Meeting, forty-five dollars per term, and that the same price be charged for any others who may be admitted; five dollars per term additional charge being made in all cases for instruction in the Latin and Greek languages, and the same charge for French. Payments to be made half at the commencement and half at the middle of each term.

That the amount to be appropriated the coming year for free board and tuition, be restricted to the amount of the income of the charitable fund. Monthly Meetings to send forward to the School Committee in the ninth and third months, the names and ages of such children, within their limits, as they may think suitable to receive the benefit of the fund and any information regarding them which may aid the School Committee, and the children to be received, to be selected by that committee. The condition of the bequest of the principal part of the charitable fund being in the words of the donor, "For the schooling of such members of the society as are actually poor, supported or not as such by the respective Monthly Meetings. Females to have equal advantages of the whole of the legacy as males."

We trust the cause of education, and the religious training of the youth of our society are held in unabated estimation by Friends. The children of our families are a sacred trust committed to our care, for whose culture in every sense a solemn responsibility attaches.

This institution for the guarded education of the youth of our society, which has been so much the object of the religious concern and care of Friends, and which has shared so largely in their liberality in its founding and support, will, we trust, continue to be the object of undiminished interest.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee.

STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk."

Providence, 6th month, 1st, 1852.

It appearing that there continues to be manifest deficiency in the recording of births, deaths and burials, this Meeting encourages Friends to greater care in this respect, and recommends that in each Monthly Meeting there should be an annual appointment not only of a Recorder but of a Committee, selected from each Preparative Meeting, to report births, deaths and burials to the Recorder; and the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

The Committee to whom was referred the proposition from Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, in relation to marrying in the kindred by affinity, made the following Report, viz.:

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of a change of the discipline in relation to marriage, as proposed by Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, have considered the same, and are united in recommending that the provision of the discipline which prohibits the marriage of a deceased husband's brother, or a deceased wife's sister, should be rescinded.

For the Committee,

BENJAMIN FRY,
MARY SHOVE.

Newport, 6th mo. 17th, 1852."

Which is satisfactory, and with the unity of the Women's Meeting, that portion of our Discipline upon this subject, revived in 1830, is hereby repealed. The Clerk is directed to give the necessary information to our Subordinate Meetings, and they are requested to expunge the article referred to from our Books of Discipline.

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the article of our discipline concerning burials, made the following report, viz:

" TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of some alteration in our Discipline relative to Burial Grounds—having given their attention thereto, recommend that the second paragraph on page 12th of our present Book of Discipline be rescinded and the following snbstituted.

Being very desirous that Friends should keep a commendable plainness and simplicity in the burial of the dead, as well as in other respects—it is the advice of this meeting that no monuments be set up in our burial grounds near or over the dead bodies of Friends, or others, except a plain stone not to exceed fifteen inches in height above the surface of the ground, on which no inscription shall be made other than the name, date of death and age of the deceased. And it is advised that the several Monthly Meetings take care that in these respects our testimonies be carefully maintained. And also to see that all burial grounds be properly enclosed.

On behalf of the Committee,

JOHN OSBORNE.

Newport, 6th mo. 18th, 1852".

—which being solidly considered, it is united with, and the article of our Discipline on the subject of Burials, on the 12th page, beginning with the words " and whereas Friends," and ending with the words " are decently enclosed," is, with the unity of the Women's Meeting, hereby repealed, and the paragraph proposed by the Committee is substituted therefor; and the Clerk is directed to furnish copies of this article to our several subordinate meetings, and they are requested to cause the same to be inserted in our Books of Discipline.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

7mo 1852 to us. The clerk is directed to furnish them with ~~[illegible]~~ copies of the above minutes as they relate to each.

Wm C Taber, Clerk

8mo 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 26 1852 Representatives from New Bedford, Alexander Hillman Daniel Davis — Longplain Gideon Wood, Sands Wing who are all present except one whose absence we are informed is occasioned by illness. -

Several of the committee appointed to distribute the documents received at our last Monthly Meeting report attention to the service.

The committee under appointment upon the subject

W. P. Howland & W. C. Taber appointed Elders — of Elders report, that they are united in proposing the names of Wm Penn Howland and Wm C Taber for the station of Elders, having had the approbation of a committee from the Quarterly Meeting - which being united with by this meeting & the womens meeting concurring herein, they are accordingly appointed to that station and the assistant clerk is directed to give this information to the Quarterly Meeting.

P. Davis removed — We unite with the womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phebe Davis.

Hannah Tripp appd Elder — We also unite with the womens meeting in the appointment of Hannah Tripp to the station of an Elder.

S. J. A. Hussey disowned — And we also unite with the same meeting in disowning Sarah J A Hussey as a member of our religious Society, she having united herself to another religious denomination.

attest. Wm C Taber Clerk

9mo 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 23 1852 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber Seth K Akin Longplain Thomas Wood Peter G Slade who are present.

T. Jones visit — Our beloved friend Thomas Jones attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from Durham Monthly Meeting expressive of the unity of its friends with his ministry and present religious engagement — His company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

J. Douglass — Our beloved friend Joshua Douglas also attended this meeting as companion to Thomas Jones and presented a satisfactory minute from the same Monthly Meeting. His company has been acceptable to us.

The clerk is directed to furnish each of our friends with

9mo 1852 copies of the minutes made in their respective cases.

The Treasurers receipt for twelve hundred dollars, the sum proposed to be raised for the service of this meeting, was presented at this time.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the first, second and tenth — a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Daniel Davis, Joseph Taber, Riley Wilbur and Wm C Taber are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Mtg.

committee Wm Bradford The Committee appointed in the 10th month last to visit Wm Bradford presented the following report and acknowledgement which being read and considered were accepted and with the concurrence of the womens meeting he is accordingly continued in membership with us — Elnathan E. [illegible] is named to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

report Since our appointment in the case of Wm Bradford we have had several opportunities with him upon the subject of the complaint. We are united in judgment that under all the circumstances it will be safe to continue him in membership, which we submit to the meeting

New Bedford
8mo 24 1852

Edmund Gardner
Abm Barker
Chas R. Tucker

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear friends

Ackn W Bradford Having suffered my business to get beyond my control and thereby brought a reproach upon Society I do now condemn the course that I have pursued and hope friends will so far pass it by as to continue me in membership trusting that they shall not be troubled further on my account.

5mo 20 1852 — Wm Bradford

A removal certificate to New York Mo Meetg being applied for on behalf of Augustus Taber, — Matthew Howland & Wm P Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting

Attest Wm C Taber clerk

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10m 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 28 1852
Representatives from New Bedford Alexd Stillman Joseph Kempton — Long Plain Gideon Wood Jos. R Wing who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The friend named to inform Wm Bradford of the conclusion of this meeting reports that he has informed him.

The committee appointed to have charge of funerals and care of burial grounds presented the following report

Committee on Funerals &c which ~~being~~ read and considered was accepted and the committee now under appointment with the exception of our late friend Sands Wing deceased and with the addition of Edward W Howland and Francis Bowman are appointed to continue attention to the same subjects for the year ensuing or until another appointment — to report in the 10th month next.

(Names of Committee Joseph Taber Geo. Howland Jr Benj. Swift, Rufus Shearman, Charles R Tucker Wm P. Howland Henry Wood, Wm Gifford, Ed. Gardner, [illegible] Davis, Richard Davis Thomas A Howland, Corns Macomber Joseph R Wing Wm R Taber, Thomas Wood Gideon Wood John Wood Elnathan E Delano Joseph Holmes Jr Ed. W. Howland, Francis Bowman)

To the Monthly Meeting

We the Committee appointed to have the care of funerals and burial grounds have endeavored to attend

Report to our appointment — Some of our number have attended all funerals held under the care of friends that have come to ~~their~~ our knowledge — There has not any change taken place in any of our burial grounds since our last report.

On behalf of the Committee

Rufus Shearman
10mo 28, 1852 William R Taber

Augs Taber removed A removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Augustus Taber is approved with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

We unite with the Womens meeting in accepting

Ackn Lydia Haskins an acknowledgement from Lydia Haskins, late Price for her deviation in marriage and in continuing her in membership.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this

S Howland returned minute meeting a minute furnished her in the 12mo last to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Salem Dover & Falmouth and such meetings within their limits as way might

10mo 1852 open for, and informed us that altho delayed by circumstances well known to friends, yet she had been favored to attend the three Quarterly Meetings together with all the meetings within their limits much to the relief and peace of her own mind.

She also presented returning minutes from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting and from the Monthly Meeting of Weare — Which is acceptable and satisfactory to this meeting. -

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

11mo 1852. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 25 1852 -
Representatives from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr and Daniel Knowles — Long Plain Richard Davis and Jno R Davis 2 who are all present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative meetings to the first second and tenth a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Rufus Shearman, Henry T. Wood, Thomas Wood & Elnathan E Delano.

Certf recd for Abm Henry & John D Shearman A removal certificate from New Garden Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abraham, Henry H & John D Shearman minor children of Hepsa H Shearman is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

Com H. S. Howland The committee appointed in the 8th month 1847 in the case of Henry S. Howland on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report which was read and considered and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious society and the clerk is directed to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Report We the committee appointed to visit Henry S. Howland on account of his deviation in marriage report that in consequence of his absence from this country nearly the whole time since our appointment we have been prevented from having an interview with him, he has however been written to upon the subject to which no reply has been received. We are united in belief that no usefulness will result from the case being continued longer under our care which is submitted to the Monthly Meeting

New Bedford 10mo 27 1852

Elisha Thornton
Philip Anthony

Returning minutes from the Quarterly Meetings of

11mo 1852 Salem and Dover on behalf of our dear friend Susan Howland
Returning minutes Susan Howland were received and read at this time and are satisfactory to this meeting

Charles R Tucker, Josiah Holmes 2d, Joseph Davis
Com on Overseers Wm R Taber & Philip Anthony are appointed to consider of and present to our next monthly Meeting the names of friends to serve this meeting as overseers.

Deborah Wing Elder We unite with the Womens meeting in the appointment of Deborah Wing to the Station of an Elder.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

12mo 1852 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 23d 1852

Representatives from New Bedford Francis Bowerman Joseph Taber — Longplain Charles Kempton Gideon Wood who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Rochester Com The committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester presented the following report which was read and considered and with the concurrence of the womens meetg was accepted. ~~and~~ The committee now under appointment, with the exception of our late friend George Howland deceased and the addition of Matthew Howland are continued on the same service for the year ensuing or until another appointment and they are requested to report in the 12th mo. next.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee under appointment to have the care of the meetings at Rochester report,— That they have given some attention to that service and have at times visited them particularly on First-days to a good degree of satisfaction. The responsibility and care of keeping up the mid-week meeting devolves mostly upon a very few friends and it is
Report sometimes difficult for them to attend in stormy weather on account of their distance from the meeting house and other attendant circumstances and the meeting is consequently sometimes very small. On first-days the meeting is attended by a considerable number of members of Society and others who we think would not be willing to have it suspended and we are united in recommending that it be continued as heretofore under the care of a committee

On behalf of the committee
12mo 23, 1852
Wm P Howland
Hannah S Taber

Names of Committee. Abm Davis, Rufus Sherman, [illegible] Anthony Wm R Taber, Thos Wood, Daniel Davis, Wm P Howland, [illegible] Thomas Davis, Wm C Taber & Matthew Howland

12mo 1852 The Committee appointed last month to bring forward
the names of friends to serve this meeting as overseers presented
Com on the following report which was read and accepted and
Overseers the friends proposed viz. Daniel Davis, William Gifford
appointed and Edmund Gardner John Wood & Richard Davis are
accordingly appointed Overseers of this meeting for the year
ensuing or until another appointment.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

The Committee appointed to bring forward the
names of friends to serve as overseers having considered the
Report subject are united in proposing Daniel Davis William
Gifford and Edmund Gardner for New Bedford Preparative
Meeting and John Wood and Richard Davis for Longplain
Preparative Meeting. On behalf of the Committee

Philip Anthony,
New Bedford 12mo 23, 1852 William R Taber

H. S. Howland The Clerk informs that he has forwarded by mail to
informed Henry S Howland the decision of this meeting in his case.

Matthew Howland, Philip Anthony & Benjn H Howland
are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts,
to ascertain what sum will be necessary to meet the expenses
auditors of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend
appointed to serve as Treasurer. They are also directed to audit
the accounts of the different trust funds in charge of this
Meeting and report their situation to our next Monthly
Meeting. Attest Wm C. Taber Clerk

1mo 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 27 1853
Representatives from New Bedford Seth H. Akin, Wm P. Howland
— Longplain Peter D Slade, Albert Wood who are present.

Our beloved friend David Dudley of St. Albans Monthly
David Dudley Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory
visit minute expressive of the unity of his friends with his ministry
and present religious engagements. His company and religious
services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Wm Farr also attended this meeting
Wm Farr as companion to our friend David Dudley and presented a minute
of concurrence from Litchfield Monthly Meeting. His company
has been acceptable to us.

The clerk is directed to furnish our friends with copies
of the above minutes as they relate to each.

Auditors The committee appointed last month to audit the
report accounts of the Treasurer and of the different trust funds &
under the care of this Monthly Meeting presented the following
report which was read and considered and in compliance

1 Mo 1853 therewith it is concluded to raise the sum of one hundred dollars
for the service of this Meeting the ensuing year and Henry T. Wood
Treas is reappointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or until another
Appointed appointment. Jos. R. Wing, Benj F Howland, Jabez Wood
Matthew Howland & Marlboro Bradford are appointed to receive the
Com on Subscriptions of friends for this amount and present the Treasurer's
collection receipt therefor when accomplished.

Report

The committee appointed last month to examine and
settle the Treasurers accounts have attended to that duty and
find a balance in his hands of thirty four 89/100 dollars. They
recommend that the sum of one hundred dollars be raised for
the use of the meeting this year and would propose the name of
Henry T Wood for Treasurer.

We have also examined the accounts of the Trustees
J West of John West's Estate which shew a balance on hand of $167.98/100
Est The reason for the trustees allowing so large a sum to accumulate
in their hands is, that they have thought it advisable to reserve
a portion of the income for the purpose of making necessary repairs
upon buildings on the estate. They have distributed $75.50/100
to thirteen persons during the past year.

The accounts of the Committee having charge of the Char-
A.S. fr itable Fund have been audited by us by which we learn that
Educl $133.50/100 have been distributed among twenty one persons
Fund in sums from two to twelve dollars each leaving a balance
&c of $20 – in the hands of the Committee.

We have also audited the accounts of the Committee having
charge of the Educational Fund and find a balance in their
hands of $71.14/100 having paid during the past year the tuition
of two children for one term in Providence Board'g School and
two ditto for one term in the Preparative Meet'g School

New Bedford 1 Mo 25, 1853 Matthew Howland
Philip Anthony
B. Franklin Howland

Trustees
appoint Edward W Howland, Charles R Tucker and George
J. West Howland Jr are appointed Trustees to the Estate of John West.

The Committees now under appointment to have charge
of the Educational and Charitable Funds of our late friend
Com on Abm Shearman Jr are continued on the same services with
Charitable the exception of our late friend George Howland deceased and
& Education the addition of George Howland Jr to the Committee on the Charitable
funds appt. Fund.

A removal certificate from Dartmo. Monthly Meeting on behalf
Geo B Hussey of George B. Hussey 2d is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens
Certf recd Meeting

Attest Wm C. Taber

2 mo 1853 At New Bedford monthly meeting held 2 Mo 24, 1853 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber Abm Barker — Longplain Joseph Wing and Gideon Wood, who are all present.

The time for which the clerk and assistant were appointed having expired; ...... the Representatives proposed the names of Charles R Tucker for clerk, and Matthew Howland for assistant clerk which being united with they are appointed to those Stations for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Clerks appointd

Wm C Taber the former clerk having been released at his own request, he having served this meeting very acceptably for about twenty years.

The following communication being received at this time viz.

Chas Taber & Sarah J Howland

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.
With divine permission and the approbation of Friends we intend marriage with each other.
New Bedford
2 Mo 17. 1853.
Charles Taber
Sarah Jane Howland

And due notice having been taken thereof by this meeting, they are desired to wait till our next monthly meeting for an answer.

Henry T Wood and Wm Gifford are appointed to make the usual enquiries respecting the clearness of Charles Taber to proceed in marriage with Sarah Jane Howland, and report to our next Mo meeting.

Recorders appointed

The time for which the Recorder and assistant Recorders of this meeting were appointed having expired, Matthew Howland is appointed Recorder, and Wm R Taber and Richard Davis assistant recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Com on complaint Ezra Gifford

The following complaint against Ezra Gifford being received from the Overseers, through New Bedford Preparative Meeting.

2 m 1853 we appoint Wm P Howland, Wm C Taber and Rufus Shearman to visit him upon the Subject of the complaint, and report their judgement in the case to a future meeting.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Complaint We have to inform that Ezra Gifford has married, contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is a member.

New Bedford
2 mo 17. 1853

Dan^l Davis
Wm Gifford
Edmund Gardner } overseers

Betsey P Wood & Sarah H Anthony appt Elders We unite with the womens meeting in the appointment of Betsey P Wood and Sarah H Anthony to the Station of Elders.

attest Chas R Tucker Clerk

3 mo 1853 At New Bedford monthly meeting held 3 mo 24. 1853. The representatives to this meeting are, from New Bedford Wm Wood, Edmund Gardner, from Long Plain Elnathan E Delano and Thomas Howland, who are present except one for whose absence a Sufficient reason was assigned.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings, a Summary of which was approved, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly meeting by our representatives, to which Service we appoint Thomas Wood Geo Howland Jr Joseph Taber Marlboro Bradford & Wm R Taber.

Chas Taber S J Howland Married Charles Taber and Sarah Jane Howland having at our last Monthly Meeting, presented a written declaration of their intentions of marriage with each other - and they now having consent of Parents, and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to Solemnize their said marriage according to the established order of our religious Society. Charles R Tucker and Wm Gifford are appointed to have the oversight of said marriage and report to our next monthly meeting.

Wm G Wing having requested a removal certificate for himself and family to Providence Monthly Meeting - Henry T Wood and Seth K Akin are appointed to

3 Mo 1853 take the necessary care in the case and report at a future meeting.

Lydia G. Allen Cert recd — We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth monthly meeting on behalf of Lydia G. Allen.

Com. in case of Geo Hussey — The committee under appointment in the case of George Hussey made a statement to the meeting, by which it appears that they have given attention to their appointment, but are not prepared to make a report in full — the committee are continued on said appointment to visit him upon the subject of the complaint in the love of the Gospel and report to a future meeting.

Memorials Recd. — We have received at this time one hundred and fifty copies of memorials which have been published by the direction of our last yearly meeting, for gratuitous distribution.— Henry T Wood Elnathan E Delano Jabez T Wood and Peter D Slade are named to distribute said memorials amongst the families of friends.

attest Chas R Tucker, clerk

4 Mo 1853 At New Bedford monthly meeting held 4 mo 25. 1853. Representatives to this meeting, from New Bedford Francis Bowman Jos Taber Longplain Cornelius Macomber and John R Davis Jr who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended.

Marriage Chas Taber and S. Jane Howland — The committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Chas Taber and Sarah Jane Howland, report that the marriage was orderly conducted, and the certificate had been delivered to the Recorder.

Ruth H Baker Request. — Ruth H Baker having requested a removal certificate for her minor son Joseph J G Baker to the Mo Meeting of Philadelphia for the Western District — Chas R Tucker and Matthew Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

4 mo 1853 A removal certificate on behalf of William H
Wm H King King, his wife Hannah E, and minor Son George
& family H, to Providence Mo Meeting is approved the
Removal womens Meeting concurring herein.

The time for which the overseers of the poor for this meeting were appointed having expired
Overseers of Edmund Gardner William Gifford Philip Anthony
the Poor George Howland Jr Wm C Taber John Wood Richard Davis and Seth K Akin are appointed on that service for the year ensuing, or untill another appointment.

Wm Gifford Edmund Gardner Wm C Taber and
Committee George Howland Jr are appointed a Committee to
to examine examine the titles to the property held by this
Titles meeting, and take such steps as they may deem expedient, in order to place said titles of all the property so held in accordance with the Statutes made and provided for the Society Friends. and report to a future meeting.

Attest Chas R Tucker Clerk

5 Mo 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5 Mo 26. 1853 Representatives to this Meeting from New Bedford Henry T Wood James C King, Longplain Thomas [illegible] Wood and Richard Davis who are present.

In the account received from Longplain it was proposed that, that Preparative Meeting be held one third of the time at Fairhaven,
Longplain and that the afternoon Meeting in
Prep Mtg Fairhaven on First day be held at the third instead of the fourth hour, which was united with, and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting - that Preparative Meeting in future will be held at Longplain in
Fairhaven the 1st. 4. 7 & 10th Months at Acushnett
Meeting in the 2d. 5. 8 & 11th months and at Fairhaven in the 3d. 6. 9. & 12th months. and the Meeting for worship in Fairhaven on first day afternoon at the time proposed.

Richard Davis having requested a
Richd Davis certificate to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting
Certificate on account of marriage, Gideon Wood and

5 mo 1853 Wm R. Baker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Jos. G. Baker
Removal

A removal certificate on behalf of Joseph G. Baker minor son of Ruth H. Baker to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Western District is approved the women having united therein.

Ack rec'd
Chas. Macomber

The committee appointed in the first month 1851 to visit Charles Macomber on account of his deviation in Marriage, presented the following report and acknowledgement, which were read and considered and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting, they were accepted, and he is accordingly continued in membership with us. Richard Davis is named to inform him of the conclusion of this Meeting.

Report

Report To the Monthly Meeting
Having had an interview with Charles Macomber to some degree of satisfaction we think it may be safe to retain him a member of society which we submit to friends.
Longplain 5 m 1. 1853 Peleg Wilbour
Richard Davis

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting
Being aware that I have deviated from the good order of Society in marrying with one not a member, it is my desire that friends may so far overlook my deviation as to retain me a member of Society.
Longplain 5 mo 1, 1853.
Charles Macomber

Acknowledgt
Ezra Gifford

The committee appointed in the 2 month to visit Ezra Gifford on account of his deviation in marriage, presented the following report and acknowledgement, which was read and duly considered, the womens meeting concurring herein, they were accepted, and he is accordingly retained a member of our religious Society.
Wm P. Howland is appointed to inform him of the conclusion of this Meeting.

5 Mo 1853 Report.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Report

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Ezra Gifford on account of his deviation in Marriage to a good degree of satisfaction. He appeard sensible of his departure from our good order of discipline and expressed a desire to retain his right of membership, we are united in Judgement that it will be safe to accept of his acknowledgement and continue him a member of our religious society, which we submit to the judgement of the meeting.
New Bedford 5 Mo 26.1853.

Rufus Shearman
Wm C Taber
Wm P Howland

Dear Friends

Having departed from the good order of Society in marrying contrary to the discipline thereof, I hereby express my regret that circumstances were such as to induce me to do so, and I desire that friends will so far overlook this act of mine as to retain me a member.

To the Monthly Meeting
New Bedford 5 Mo 10, 1853 Ezra Gifford

Committee Fairhaven Mtg released

The committee appointed in the 6 Mo 1849 to advise with friends of Fairhaven in the erection of their meeting House, and for other purposes, presented the following report, which was read and accepted, and they are released from any further care in the case.

Report.

Report.

The committee appointed to render such assistance to friends of Fairhaven as might be required report that they have given such attention to the subject from time to time as way had opened for, and beleiving that further care is not now needed they would ask to be released.

5 Mo 26. 1853. On behalf of the committee
To New Bedford Mo Meeting. Wm C Taber
Wm P Howland

5 mo 1853. The committee appointed in the first
com on month to receive the Subscriptions of friends
Subscrip- for the Service of this Meeting, presented
tion. the Treasurers receipt for one hundred dollars
the amount proposed to be raised.
Attest Charles R. Tucker clerk.

1 [illegible] 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
6mo 23, 1853.

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber James Almy - Longplain Jabez T Wood and Marlboro Bradford, who are present.

N Sands and E G Prays visit — Our beloved friends Nathaniel Sands from Cornwall Monthly Meeting, N York and Enos G Pray from Springfield Monthly Meeting and Centre Quarterly Meeting ~~Indianna~~ Ohio. attended this Meeting and presented satisfactory certificates from their friends expressive of their unity with their ministry, and present religious engagements. Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

A Thornburg visit — Our beloved friend Anna Thornburg attended this Meeting, and presented satisfactory testimonials from Walnutridge Mo Meeting and Spiceland Quarterly Meeting Indianna, expressing unity with her as a minister, and present religious engagements.

Her company and religious labours have been acceptable to us.

J Gilbert and Lydia Bell — Our esteemed friends Joel Gilbert and Lydia Bell attended this meeting as companions to our beloved friend Anna Thornburg, and presented satisfactory Minutes from Hopewell Mo Meeting Indianna, expressive of unity with them in their present engagements. Their company has been acceptable to us.

The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing the before named friends with copies of the above minutes so far as they relate to each respectively.

6 mo. 1853 The queries were read in this meeting with Ans. from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2d. & 10th. a summary from which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Benjamin Swift Joseph Davis Edmund Gardner and Jonathan E. Delano.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Samuel W. Snow
Certificate his wife Mary E with their minor children Viz,
S. W. Snow Marianna, Thomas Knowles, Sarah Barker, Marcia
and W, and George Morton Snow, is accepted the
family womens Meeting concurring herein.

A certificate on behalf of Richard Davis to Rhode Island Mo Meeting on account of
Richd Davis marriage is approved.

A removal certificate from Nine
Certificate Partners Mo Meeting New York for Kesia H
Kesia H Shearman and her minor children
Shearman namely; Joseph T, Alice D, Isaac H, and
& family David T Shearman, is accepted, having the unity of the womens meeting.

The friend appointed last month to inform Charles Macomber of the
Chas Macomber conclusion of this meeting in his case, reports that he has attended to that service.

Wm P. Howland was named last month to inform Ezra Gifford of the judgement of this meeting in his case;
Ezra Gifford reports, that previous to our last Monthly meeting that Ezra Gifford had sailed on a voyage to sea. He is continued under appointment to perform that service when way may open for it.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland
Susan in a weighty manner informed this meeting
Howland's that her mind had been for several years impressed
minute with a belief that it would be required of her to
~~the~~ attend in the love of the gospel the yearly meetings of Indianna, Baltimore and North Carolina — also to visit such meetings within their limits as way may open for in the truth

6 month 1853 truth, and that she now felt that the time had fully come for her to submit the prospect to her friends. After a time of solid

Susan [illegible] minute consideration her concern was fully united with and she encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct. She being a minister in unity and well esteemed by us.

In thus liberating our dear friend we commend her to the care and guidance of the great Head of the Church, desireing that she may be enabled acceptably to perform the service to which she has felt herself called, and when it is accomplished that she may be permitted to return with the reward of peace. — The clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Atts Charles R Tucker clerk

7 month 1853. At NewBedford Monthly Meeting held 7 mo 28. 1853.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from NewBedford Henry T. Wood, Alex Hillman — Longplain Peleg Wilbur and Joseph R King who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

extracts from the Yr Mtg. Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting embracing the Report of the Boarding School committee, and a minute given forth by that Meeting upon the subject of Slavery — were read at this time, and are acceptable and satisfactory to this Meeting.

com. on admission to B. School — Charles R Tucker, Joseph Taber, George Howland Jr, Wm R Taber and Richard Davis, are appointed to take the necessary care in regard Children about to enter the Boarding School at Providence; and friends are requested to make early application to the committee for Certificates previous to sending their Children to the School. and they are directed to present the case of any child that may in their judgement be ~~entitled~~ entitled to receive the benefit of the charitable fund

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode-Island, in the sixth month, 1853.

The annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was laid before the meeting and read, received its deliberate consideration, was fully united with, the several propositions therein contained were approved and adopted, and the Clerk was directed to furnish copies of the Report to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. It is as follows, viz:

"To the Yearly Meeting:

The Boarding School Committee Report: That the school being vacated at the time of the last Yearly Meeting, according to its direction, the Committee proceeded to make those repairs and improvements upon the buildings and premises which they believed the interests of the Institution and the convenience and comfort of its inmates required. Many alterations were made in the interior of the House, highly promotive of this end. The several school rooms, lodging and dining rooms have been much improved and newly furnished, together with many alterations in the centre building, and all the apartments are lighted with gas, very much to satisfaction.

Among the improvements upon the premises is the erection of a spacious and very convenient and substantial stone barn, sufficient, we believe, in its capacity for the purposes of the Institution. Some other out buildings have been erected and some altered and better adapted to their intended uses.

Soon after the building of the stone barn, a fire occurred on the premises, the origin of which has not been ascertained, by which nearly all that was combustible of the barn, together with a wooden barn, a corn-house, and one or two other small wooden buildings, two horses, and all the hay and fodder were consumed. The rebuilding of the stone barn, with enlarged dimensions, and the other necessary expenditures and loss accruing from this fire are estimated at about $2500.

The expenditures for all the repairs and improvements, including the loss resulting from the fire have been $13,804,96.

The Amount subscribed for these purposes at the time of our last Yearly Meeting was $3,612, and since then, there have been collected and forwarded to the Treasurer of the School fund $2732,75—making a total of - - -	6,344,75
Leaving an indebtedness of - - - -	$7,460,21

We think it right to mention, that $2000 of the sum subscribed since the Yearly Meeting, was received from our late dear friend George Howland, who, not long before his decease requested his executors to pay this amount to the School.

We would propose that $6,500—the sum received for the sale of land authorized by the Yearly Meeting in 1847, should be appropriated towards the liquidation of this indebtedness.—This sum of $6500 having by conclusion of the Yearly Meeting in 1847, when the sale of the land was authorized, and also in 1849 after the sale was completed, been funded, and the income of it concluded to be annually appropriated for the betterment of the real estate of the Institution—we think it best, that the appropriation now made of the principal, should be considered in the light of a loan to the School funds, the interest of which should be annually paid from the board and tuition fees received, and be expended in the permanent improvement of the real estate. And we indulge the hope that a way may be opened, by which this loan may be repaid, by the liberality of Friends, so that the principal of it may be replaced and reinvested for the permanent use to which it was concluded to be appropriated.

The accounts of the Institution for the past year have been examined and settled, by which it appears, that there have been received from the income of the School Fund during the past

year - - - - - - - -	$6,936,40
From the Charity Fund - - - - -	430,00
From the Farm Fund - - - -	390,00
From Scholars for board, tuition &c. one Term, including a balance of $286,65 in Superintendent's hands last year - - - -	4,915,14
And from other sources - - - -	1,388,44
Making a total of - - -	$14,059,98
The expenditures of the Institution exclusive of the amount stated above for repairs and improvements, and including $489,72 from Treasurer's account have been - - - -	$12,555,76
The balance now in Treasurer's and Principal's hands is - - - - - -	$544,01

At the time of our Report last year the debt of the Institution was about $2500. Should the Yearly Meeting approve of appropriating the $6,500, as we have proposed, it will be seen that the indebtedness of the School will then be $1955,99.

In view of the accommodation of the Institution it was believed that 80 scholars of each sex were as many as could be well provided for and a circular to this effect was forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings.

At the time proposed, first of the 11th month, the school was reopened, and 150 scholars, viz: 77 males and 73 females have attended most of the time. A few who were admitted, from ill health or other causes, having failed to come.

Our friends Charles Atherton and Gertrude E. Whittier as Principals, assisted by Edward G. Hoag, William L. Dean, Parmelia C. Varney, Lydia M. Neal, Elizabeth Prosser, and Charles F. Brownell as Instructor in Latin and Greek, have acceptably filled the places of Teachers. Mary Atherton has also been usefully engaged in the Institution. Our friends Levi Varney and his wife, acceptably occupied the stations of steward and matron during a part of the term; but owing to the delicate state of the health of the latter, they were released at their own request, and Hannah Allen now fills the place of matron. Whether any additional assistance will be required in the domestic department remains to be determined.

By the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting the Committee may admit into the school, besides our own members, those connected with our society or who are being brought up as Friends, as well as members of other Yearly Meetings, when the accommodations of the School will permit. We are of the opinion that none should ever be received to the exclusion of our members, but that it is safe for the Yearly Meeting to confide to its Committee, appointed from year to year, a discretionary power to extend the privileges of the Institution, when they are not occupied by our own members, to those and those only who, they believe will be exemplary in their conduct and faithfully observe the requisitions of the School in all respects. As the cost of living and other expenses, are greater than they were at the time the existing prices were established, it is evident that some change herein is required, and we would propose, that the charge per Term should be $36, for members of our Yearly Meeting; $50, when one or both parents are members of this Yearly Meeting, or the children are being brought up as Friends, or are sent at the charge of members of this Yearly Meeting, and also for members of our Society of other Yearly Meetings, and $64 for any others that may be admitted—that $5 per Term additional charge be made for instruction either in the Ancient Languages, in French or in Drawing—payments to be made half at the commencement and half at the middle of each Term—books and stationery being furnished as last year at actual cost. With these prices and a careful economy, it is to be hoped that the current expenses of the school will be met.

We would propose that the summer term should commence on fourth day before the first fifth day in the fifth month, and continue until fourth day four weeks previous to the commencement of the winter term—that the winter term should begin on fourth day before the first fifth day in the eleventh month, and continue until fourth day, four weeks before the commencement of the summer term. We apprehend that a period of twenty two weeks continuous study, is as long as will be useful to the pupils or consistent with the health of the teachers, and that four weeks vacation in the spring and autumn will not prove more than is requisite for the proper preparation of the house, and other necessary arrangements for the ensuing term.

As the number to be admitted is limited to 80 of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the school, in order that they may determine, how many others, if any, may be received. Applications should therefore in all cases be made seasonably to be laid before the meetings of the Committee held on third day before the first fifth day in the ninth month, for those who desire to attend during the winter term—and on third day before the first fifth day in the third month for those wishing to attend the summer term. Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable Fund are requested to send their applications in season for the meeting of the Committee in the ninth month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. All communications respecting the admission of scholars may be addressed to one of the principal teachers.

The following regulation was adopted by the Committee in the eleventh month last viz: "It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the principal teachers, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the Committee, and in all cases of children being admitted for the term and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term."

The earliest age at which children can be admitted into the school as now established by the Yearly Meeting is eight years. We would suggest to Friends that at this tender age, they are not likely to derive that benefit from being placed in the Institution which more maturity would probably give. We also would remind Friends, that sending pupils for a less time than one term can confer very little benefit upon the scholars, and is a great interruption to the classes. We desire that applications for such admissions may be discouraged.

Early after the opening of the school in the eleventh month, there were several cases of serious indisposition; one of which viz;—that of Joseph H. Crocker, a member of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, a lad of about 16 years of age, resulted fatally after an illness of a little more than two days. In reference to this solemn event the following minute was entered upon our records, viz: "In the removal of this dear young man by a sudden attack of inflammation of the stomach, the family and scholars were, we think, brought deeply to feel the uncertainty of life; and while we tenderly sympathize with his bereaved parents and friends, we are led to believe that the solemnizing effect of this dispensation may be blessed to those with whom he was associated, and lead them more and more to seek for preservation from Him with whom are the issues of life."

Near the close of the term, the scarlet fever prevailed to some extent among the scholars, producing much anxiety with parents and great unsettlement in the school. Many of the scholars were removed by their friends and the greater part of those that remained being desirous to leave, it became evident that little benefit would be likely to result from any attempt to continue the school, and the term was therefore closed about two weeks sooner than it would have been in ordinary course.

The Committee after solid deliberation came to the conclusion at the commencement of the term to re-establish the meeting for religious worship in the school house on first day mornings—and that the family and scholars should continue to attend on first day afternoon and in the middle of the week, the meetings of Friends held in the city of Providence. At nearly all the meetings held in the Institution some of the Committee have been present. They have been seasons of comfort to us, and we think it right thankfully to record our renewed sense of the Lord's goodness, and that He continues graciously to bless the concern and efforts to promote and secure in this school, the guarded, religious education of our youth.

We commend the Institution with all its present advantages to the increased attention of Friends.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee

STEPHEN A. CHASE, *Clerk.*

Providence, 5th mo. 31st, 1853."

The following minute was adopted, viz:

"The testimony of our religious society against the iniquitous system of slavery as it exists in some parts of our highly favored country which has now for a long series of years been dear to Friends, and, as they have believed, has been incumbent upon them faithfully to uphold, as a religious testimony, and to be borne on religious grounds, is we trust regarded by Friends as increasingly important.

It is and must be matter of grief and concern to Friends, that the tendency of the legislation of our country should be in any way designed to foster, perpetuate or protect this system so full of evil, or that under any contingency any of us or our fellow countrymen, and especially those who are comparatively free from immediate connection with it, should be required by such legislation to aid in its support.

We believe that Friends are called upon faithfully to maintain the testimony to their abiding conviction that slavery in its nature and in its effects is wholly inconsistent with the principles of our holy religion, which teaches that "one is your Master even Christ and all ye are brethren." How different are its requirements from that divine precept of our blessed Lord, "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them, for this is the law and the prophets."

A system thus characterized by evil is so entirely opposed to our religious profession, that we cannot sanction or uphold it in any degree, without at the same time being unfaithful and inconsistent—hence no compromises, no human agreements, no human enactments even, can render its support just or right.

We repeat—the testimony of the Society of Friends against slavery is a religious one and is to be borne on religious ground alone—with firmness yet with meekness—in humility, in love, in faith and with a single eye to our duty and accountability to Him who created us—with no view to worldly advantage or to please men, but with singleness of purpose as unto God.

We believe the testimony of Friends on this subject, consistently borne, is and has been in the hands of an all wise Providence, among the means by which, as it is to be hoped, the evils of slavery are to be done away. How important then that we be faithful herein. We are engaged earnestly to exhort all Friends that they continue to bear this testimony unflinchingly before the world, and against the requirements of slavery in all their forms, as well as against every measure calculated to strengthen or perpetuate this lamentable evil."

From the Minutes of the Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

7 mo 1853 of said School, to the general School committee.

The committee appointed in the 7 mo last year to assist the Recorders of this Meeting, presented the following, Report, which is acceptable to the Meeting, and the committee now under appointment viz; Henry T Wood, Gideon Wood Jonathan Cowin & George Howland Jr are continued on that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Com- to assist the Recorders

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to act as assistants to the Recorders of the Meeting- Report. That they have given Some attention during the past year to the service- and have this day carefully examined the Records of the Monthly Meeting and find that marriage certificates are all recorded as well as all births and deaths which have come to the knowledge of the committee. We believe that ten of our Members have removed to reside within the limits of other Monthly Meetings without certificates, besides a few who are temporarily absent from among us.

Report

There are now upon the Records of the Meeting the names of 204 males
and 213 females
making a total of 417 members

On behalf of the committee
New Bedford 7 mo 27. 1853. Henry T Wood

Our esteemed friend Asa Shearman attended this meeting as companion to our beloved friends Ruth Davis and Anna D Thing on a religious visit to some not in Membership with us residing within the limits of New Bedford and Westport Monthly Meetings. He presented a satisfactory minute from Swansey Monthly Meeting, his company and solid deportment has been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Asa Shearman

The London general Epistle for 1852 was read in this Meeting to our edification and acceptance.

London Epistle

7 mo 1853 182 Copies of the London printed Epistle of
Yr Mtg last year together with 112 Copies of the printed
Minutes minutes of our last yearly Meeting were received
& London at this time. William Wood Jonathan Cowin
Epistles Alexander Howland Albert Wood and Josiah
Holmes Jr are appointed to distribute them
among our members.

Chas R Tucker clerk.

8 mo 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
8 mo 25. 1853.

Representatives from New Bedford
Rufus Shearman, Saml W Snow. Longplain
Gideon Wood and Cornelius Macomber,
who are present.

The committee appointed
last month to distribute the London printed
Epistle, and the minutes from our last
Yearly Meeting Report that they have
attended to that service.

Longplain Preparative meeting having
refered the Subject of repairing their meeting
Longplain house at Longplain to this meeting, we
Mtg House appoint Wm C. Taber, Gideon Wood, Thomas
Wood, Josiah Holmes Jr, Jos R King George
Howland Jr and Richard Davis to examine
into the case and report their judgement
to our next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed in the 8 month 1851
to visit John H Gardner on account of his
deviation in marriage, presented the following
Report - which was read and accepted in
Com concurrence with the womens meeting, and
Report in accordance therewith he is retained a
J H Gardner member of our Religious Society, and Chas
R Tucker is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to appointment we
have visited John H Gardner on account
of his deviation in marriage to a good
degree of Satisfaction, He expressed an
attachment for Society, and a decided
choice to retain his right of membership,
We are united in judgement that it

8 mo 1853 will be safe for friends to continue him under
their care, which we submit to the meeting.
New Bedford 7 mo 22. 1853.

William Gifford
Chas R Tucker

Being informed by the overseers that
Charles J Hoxie has removed to reside
Chas J Hoxie within the limits of Sandwich Monthly
Meeting, we appoint Henry T Wood and
Rufus Shearman to take the necessary care
in the case and report to our next Monthly
Meeting.

Attest Chas R Tucker clerk

9 mo 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 mo
22d. 1853. The Representatives to this meeting
are from New Bedford George Howland Jr, Seth K Arpin
Longplain Arnold G Tripp and Marlboro Bradford
who are present except two for whose absence sufficient
reasons were assigned.

The queries with the required answers from
Queries our Preparative Meetings were read – a summary
of which were approved and directed to be forwarded
to the ensuing Quarterly meeting by our representatives
to which service we appoint William P Howland
Gideon Wood, John Wood and William Gifford –

The following complaint from the Overseers was recd
Committee through Longplain Preparative Meeting against Timothy
to visit Davis – We appoint Elnathan E Delano and Thomas
Timo Davis Wood to visit him on account of his deviation in
marriage – and Report their judgement in the
case to a future meeting.

The Overseers have to inform the meeting
complaint that Timothy Davis has married out of the order
of our Society with one who is not a member.

John Wood
Richard Davis

The committee having the oversight of funerals
Com on and care of burial grounds presented the following
Funerals Report – which being read and considered was
&c. accepted, and the committee now under appoint-
-ment viz, Joseph Taber, George Howland Jr, Benja
Swift Rufus Shearman Chas R Tucker Wm P Howland

9 Mo 1853. Henry T Wood William Gifford Edmund Gardner Wm Davis Richd Davis, Tho H Howland Corns Macomber Jos R Hine Wm H Taber Thos Wood Gidn Wood John Wood Elnathan E Delano Josiah Holmes jr Edw H Howland and Francis Bowman. are continued on that Service for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

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Commitee Burial ground Edw H Howland George Howland jr Edmund Gardner Chas R Tucker and Henry T Wood are appointed to Carry into effect that part of the Report of the committee which reccommends that the remains of deceased friends and Others now laying in the old burial ground at New Bedford be removed to the new ground prepared for the use of friends on Dartmouth Street as early as it may in their judgement seem practicable - and Report when accomplished to this Meeting

To the Monthly Meeting

Report. The committee appointed to have the Oversight at funerals and care of burial grounds Report - That all funerals held under the care of friends have been attended they believe by some of their number - that no change had been made in relation to monuments since last year, contrary to discipline in any of our burial grounds. The committee would reccommend that the remains of deceased friends and Others now laying in the ground at New Bedford be removed to the new ground on Dartmouth Street prepared for the use of friends soon as convenience will admit of its being done - which will place the old lot in a condition to be disposed of - the fence being at the present in a very decayed state. which we submit to the judgement of the meeting.

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford Rufus Shearman
9 Mo 19. 1853. Henry T Wood

Chas J Hoxie A removal certificate to Sandwich monthly Meeting on behalf of Chas J Hoxie is approved in Concurrence with the womens Meeting.

The friend named last month to inform John H Gardner of the conclusion of this

9 m 1853 meeting - reports that he has been informed.

Longplain Mtg House The committee appointed last month to examine the Meeting house at Longplain presented the following "Report" which being considered was accepted, and the Overseers of this meeting are authorized to give the necessary security for such sum as may be needed for the repairs of said Meeting House, on behalf of Longplain Preparative Meeting - and the committee now under appointment are continued to superintend the repairs of said House and when completed report to this meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report. The committee appointed on the application of Longplain Preparative Meeting "Report" that they have given attention to the subject of their appointment by examining the Meeting House refered to, and are united in judgement that it should be thoroughly repaired as soon as practicable as in its present condition it is not comfortable for Friends to meet in during the stormy season of the year.

They also think necessary that an additional number of sheds should be erected.

Our friends of that Preparative Meeting not feeling themselves at present in a situation to make the necessary outlay the committee would recommend that the Overseers be authorized to give such security on behalf of that Preparative meeting as may be required for such sum as may be necessary to cover the expense.

One behalf of the committee

New Bedford 9 m

Thomas Wood

9 mo 22nd 1853

Wm C. Taber

John West's Estate. The Trustees to the Estate of the late John West "deceased" informed the Meeting that the property so held by them consisted of "Real Estate" a part of which was situated on what is known as West's Island, and is at the present time and has been for many years quite unproductive - after duly considering the subject it was the sense and judgement of this meeting that said Trustees viz Charles R. Tucker

9 Mo 1853 Edward W Howland and George Howland Jr
be authorized to take the necessary steps to
obtain proper authority from the Supreme Court
Estate of to qualify them in a legal manner to make
[illegible] sale and convey a part or the whole of said
Estate— and when accomplished to invest the
neat proceeds thereof in such manner as
will in their judgement best promote the
Object as specifyed in the "Will" of the
Donor.

Att Chas R Tucker. Clerk

10 M. 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
10 Mo 27. 1853

The Representatives to this Meeting are
from New Bedford Wm C Taber Abm Barker
Longplain Joseph R Wing and Albert Wood
who are present except one, for whose absence
a sufficient reason was assigned.

The following complaint against Francis
Rodman was recd from the Overseers through
Francis New Bedford Preparative Meeting— William P.
Rodman Howland and Abm Barker are appointed
to visit him on account of his deviation
in marriage and report their judgement
in the case to a future Meeting.

We have to inform that Francis
Rodman has married contrary to the order
Complaint of our Society with one who is a member.
To New Bedford Mo Meeting
10 Mo 19. 1853. Daniel Davis }
Wm Gifford } Overseers.

The following written communication
was recd through Longplain Preparative
Meeting from Robert Steere and Abi E
Robt Steere Wilbur, making declaration of their
& Abi E Wilbur intentions of marriage with each other,
due notice having been taken thereof by
this Meeting they are desired to wait
untill our next Mo meeting for an
answer.

10 mo 1853 To the Monthly Meeting
With Divine permission and friends approbation we intend marriage with each other.
Robert Steere
Abbie E Wilbur

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended except one, whose absence was occasioned by illness in his family.

Peleg Howland & wife. A removal certificate from Saratoga Mo Meeting on behalf of Peleg Howland and his wife Sarah was read and accepted in concurrence with the womens Meeting.

Charles R Tucker clerk

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11 Mo 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 Mo 24, 1853.

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Edward W Howland Samuel W Snow — Longplain Richard Davis and Peleg Wilbur who are present.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2d & 10th from which a Summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives

Representatives to which Service we appoint Francis Bowman Wm R Taber, Joseph Taber and Elnathan E Delano.

A Certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Robert Steere on account of Marriage is accepted, with the concurrence of the womens Meetings.

Robt Steere & Abbie E Wilbur marriage Robert Steere and Abbie E. Wilbur having at our last Mo Meeting presented a written declaration of their intentions of marriage with each other, and they now having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize their said marriage after the established order of our religious Society — Wm C. Taber and Charles R. Tucker are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly meeting.

Tim Davis The committee appointed in the 9 month to visit Timothy Davis on acct of his deviation in marriage presented

11 Mo 1853 the following report and acknowledgment which after due consideration ~~was~~ were accepted the women uniting herein - and he is

Timo Davis accordingly retained in membership with us - Richard Davis is named to inform him thereof and report to our next Mo Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting
Dear Friends

Persuant to our appointment we have visited Timothy Davis much to our

Report satisfactin - he manifested a strong attachment to Society and wished to remain a member, and it is our opinin that it would be safe to restore him.

Elnathan E. Delano
New Bedford 11 Mo 24, 1853. Thomas Wood

In as much as I am a member of the society of Friends and have forfeited my right of membership by marrying contrary to

Acknowlgt. the rules of the society, it is my wish that friends will overlook the deviatin and restore me to membership amongst them, as I have a strong desire to remain.

Timothy Davis

The committee appointed in the 10th Month to visit Francis Rodman on acct of his deviation in marriage presented the following report

Francis Rodman which being considered was united with, the womens Meeting concurring herein - and we disown him as a member of our religious Society - Wm P Howland is appointed to inform him of the conclusin of this Meeting.

New Bedford 11 Mo 24, 1853.
To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have had an interview with Francis Rodman relative to his marrying

Report contrary to the order of our society. He expressed a regard for the principles of Friends, but inasmuch as he did not expect to be a consistant member and had a preference to attend for the most part the meetings of

11 mo 1853 another denomination; he did not wish to
retain his right of membership with Friends.
Which we submit to the meeting.

Wm P Howland
Abm Barker.

We unite with the womens meeting in disowning
Eliz Rodman Elizabeth Rodman (late Hussey) as a member
late Hussey of our religious society on acct of her having
married in a manner not in accordance
with the discipline.

attest Chas R Tucker Clerk

12 mo 1853 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
12 mo 22d 1853

The representatives to this meeting are from
New Bedford Henry T Wood, Alexander Hillman
Longplain Gideon Wood and Alexander Howland
who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly
Meeting report that they all attended.

Tim. Davis The friend named last month to inform
Tim. Davis of the conclusion of this Meeting in
his case reports his attention to that service,

The committee appointed last Month to
have the care and oversight of the Marriage of
Marriage Robert Steere and Abbie E Wilbur - Report that
Robt Steere it was orderly conducted and the necessary
Abbie E. W. care taken in regard to the certificate.

The friend appointed last month to
inform Francis Rodman of his disownment
F Rodman is continued on that service to report next
month.

The committee appointed to visit the
Meetings at Rochester - presented the following
Report; which was read, considered and with
the concurrence of the womens meeting accepted,
Rochester The committee now under appointment with the
Com addition of Henry T Wood are continued on
that service for the year ensuing or untill
another appointment, and they are requested
to report in the 12 month next.
Names of Committee, Abm Davis, Rufus Shearman,
Elnathan E Delano, Philip Anthony Wm R Taber
Thos Wood, Daniel Davis, Wm P Howland, Chas

12 mo 1853 R Tucker, Richard Davis, Wm C Taber, Matthew
Howland, Francis Bowman, Henry T Wood.
We appoint Seth R. Akin, Wm Gifford and
Edw W Howland are appointed to examine
Auditors and Settle the accounts of the Treasurer of this
appointed Meeting - to ascertain what sum it will be
necessary to raise for the Service of the Meeting
the ensuing year, and propose the name
of a friend for Treasurer, also to audit
the accounts of the Trustees of the several
trust funds in charge of this Meeting, and
report next Month.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting
Overseers were appointed having expired - the friends now
appointed under appointment viz Daniel Davis, Edmund
Gardner, Wm Gifford, John Wood and Richd Davis
are continued Overseers of this Meeting for
the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

John H Gardner having removed to
reside within the limits of Cincinnati Monthly
J H Gardner Meetings has requested our Certificate - we
appoint George Howland Jr and Jos Taber
to take the necessary care in the case and
report to a future Meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland
returned to this Meeting a Certificate
Susan furnished her in the Sixth Month last
Howland to perform a religious visit to Indianna,
Returns Baltimore and North Carolina yearly
minute Meetings - and presented returning minutes
from the above named yearly Meetings
and from the Quarterly Meeting of Alum
Creek, and the Monthly Meetings of
Greenwich, Gilead, and Alum Creek in
the limits of Indianna yearly Meeting,
and from Deep River Monthly Meeting
North Carolina. She informed the Meeting
that she had been enabled to perform the
service which she apprehended was required
at her hands, much to the peace and
Satisfaction of her own mind - all of
which is acceptable to friends.

We unite with the Womens Meeting
Eliza C. in accepting a removal certificate from
Davis Rhode Island Monthly Meeting on

12 M° 1853 behalf of Eliza C Davis wife of Richard Davis.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to have the Oversight of the Meeting at Rochester Report
Rochester Report. that they have given attention to their appointment and that the Meeting has been attended from time to time as way has opened for it, generally to a good degree of satisfaction.

On conferring together they are united in proposing that the Meeting be continued as heretofore held under the care of a Committee.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee
Wm C Taber
New Bedford Rhoda Howland
12 M° 21. 1853.

Attest Chas R Tucker, Clerk

1 M° 1854 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1 M° 26. 1854

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber, George Howland Jr Longplain Albert Wood and Peter D Slade who are present.

A removal certificate being requested
Geo Wing
Robt F Wing
on behalf of George Wing and Robert F Wing minors to Providence Monthly Meeting, we appoint Wm C Taber and Geo Howland to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future Meeting.

The committee appointed last Month to examine and settle the Treasurers Acct and to Audit the accounts of the Several
Auditors Report
trust funds in the Charge of this Meeting presented the following report, which was read considered and accepted, and Henry T Wood is reappointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment. And the Committee now under appointment to have charge of the Educational and Charitable funds of our late friend Abm Shearman Jr are continued

1 Mo 1854 on that Service for the ensuing year or untill another appointment.

Com on Educational fd "Committee on Educational fund" Chas R Tucker Joseph Taber Geo Howland Jr Wm R Taber and Richd Davis.

com on Charity "Com on Charitable Fund" Henry T Wood Wm Gifford Edw W Howland Wm C Taber, George Howland Jr.

"Report"

Report, The committee to examine and Settle the Treasurer Accounts, make the following report. They find in his hands a balance of Forty Nine & 89/100 Dollars $49.89 and think it will not be necessary to raise any money for the use of the Monthly Meeting the comeing year. On examination they find the income of twenty Shares of Bedford Comt Bank Stock left to this Meeting by our late friend Abm Shearman Jr and One share by our late friend Amy Greene with the amo in the hands of the Treasurer will be sufficient to meet the current expenses of the Meeting the ensuing year. The Com reccommend Henry T Wood for Treasurer.

We have also examined the following trust funds viz; the Educational fund and find it correct, and a balance due the Committee of One & 23/100 dollars. they have paid the Schooling of Eleven Children for One term at Schools under the care of friends,

The com on the Charitable fund have distributed to Seventeen persons Eighty two & 50/100 dollars.

The Com have also examined the acct. of the Trustees of John Wests Estate and find them correct. Showing a balance on hand of two hundred Seven 35/100 dolls they have paid out to thirteen persons, ninety four dollars. the Trustees have have been licenced by the Supreme Court of Massachusetts to make Sale of the West Estate, and reinvest the same as their judgement may direct.

New Bedford 1 Mo 26. 1854.

Seth K. Akin
Wm Gifford
Edw W Howland

1 Mo 1854 Wm R Howland reports that he has
informed Francis Rodman ~~with~~ of the
F Rodman conclusion of this Meeting in his Case.
att Charles R Tucker Clerk.

2d Mo 1854 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting
held 2 Mo 23d 1854.

The Representatives to this meeting are
from New Bedford Wm C Taber Alex Hillman
Longplain Richd Davis and Jos R Wing - who
are present.

The times for which the clerks of
this Meeting were appointed having expired
Clerks the Representatives proposed the names of
appointed Chas R Tucker for Clerk and Matthew
Howland for assistant clerk of this
meeting which being united with they are
appointed to those Stations for the year ensuing
or till another appointment.

A removal certificate on behalf
Geo and of George Wing and Robt T Wing minors
Robt T Wing to Providence Monthly Meeting is approved
in Concurrence with the womens meeting.

George Kempton having made a
written request to be received into membership
Geo Kempton with us; we appoint Wm R Howland and
Request Josiah Holmes jr to visit him on account
of his request and report their judgement
in the Case at a future meeting.

Allen Kelley having removed to
reside within the limits of Sandwich Mo
Meeting has requested our Certificate for
himself and family. Henry T Wood and
Rufus Shearman are appointed to take the
necessary care in the case and report to
our next Mo Meeting.

The time having expired for which
the Recorders of this Meeting were appointed.
Recorders Matthew Howland is reappointed Recorder,
and Wm C Taber and Richard Davis assistant
Recorders for the year ensuing or till
next appointment.

The committee appointed to assist
the Recorders of this Meeting presented

2 Mo 1854 the following Report - which being read, was acceptable to the meeting, and those friends viz. Henry T Wood Gideon Wood Jonathan Cowin and Geo Howland Jr are continued on that Service for the ensuing year.

Committee to assist Recorders.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to assist the Recorders of this meeting have given some attention to the Service the past year, and now find upon a careful examination of the Records that Certificates of marriage and of Removals are all recorded, and all births and deaths have been entered that have come to the knowledge of the committee.

Report

Five of our members we believe have removed to reside within the limits of other Mo Meetings without Certificates.

There are now upon the books of the Mo Meeting the names of 209 males and 208 Females making a total of 417 members. of this Number we believe there are belonging to Longplain Preparative Meeting 149. and to New Bedford 268

on behalf of the committee
2 Mo 23 1854. Henry T Wood

Phebe B Slocum — We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate for Phebe B Slocum "the wife of Peleg Slocum" from Dartmouth Mo Meeting

Catharine Hoskins — We unite with the same meeting in disowning Catharine Hoskins "late Thornton" as a member of our religious Society on acct of her deviation in marriage, she not appearing desireous to be retained in membership with us.

Nathl Potter — We received at this time from Granville Mo Meeting State of New York a removal certificate on behalf of Nathaniel Potter Jr and minor son, whom it appears are residing within the limits of Dartmouth Mo Meeting - the clerk was instructed to return said Certificate to the Meeting

2 Mo 1854 from whence it came informing them of our reasons for so doing.

John West Estate — The following report from the Trustees to the Estate of John West "deceased" was recd and read, and the clerk was directed to place said Report upon our records together with the Licence which they have received from the Supreme Court of Massachusetts giving the required authority to convey and reinvest said Estate.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report. — The Trustees to the Estate of John West late of Fairhaven "deceased" have in accordance with the judgement of the Mo Meeting as given in the Ninth Month, obtained from the Supreme court of this State legal authority to sell and convey ~~or~~ and reinvest a part or all of said Estate.

On behalf of the trustees
2 Mo 22d 1854.
Chas R. Tucker
Edw W. Howland

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bristol, S.S

At the Supreme Judicial Court begun and held at New Bedford, within and for said County of Bristol on the Second Tuesday of November in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Upon the petition of Chas R Tucker, Edward W Howland and George Howland Jr Trustees under the will of the late John West late of the said New Bedford, deceased, showing that the said testator by his last will and Testament, devised and bequeathed certain Real Estate, now held by said Petitioners in trust for the benefit of the poor and needy.

That said Real Estate consists of two Farms situate in Fairhaven in said County, one upon Sconticut Neck so called, containing about one hundred acres — the other upon Wests Island so called containing about two hundred and fifty acres — that from the

2 Mo 1854 unproductive character of said Real Estate it has become necessary and expedient that the same should be sold, and the proceeds thereof judiciously invested in personal Estate, in order to promote the design of the Testator and advance the interest of the beneficiaries under said trust -

And it now appearing to the Court here, that it is expedient that the Real Estate aforesaid should be sold and the proceeds thereof in the manner set forth in said Petition,

Ordered and decreed that the Trustees named therein be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and convey the whole or any portion of the Real Estate held by them in trust under and by virtue of the last will and Testament of John West late of said New Bedford, deceased, and the proceeds thereof to invest upon such security, and in such manner as shall best effect the objects of said trust, and be most safe and beneficial for all interested therein.

By order of Court
Jas Sproat clerk.

Atts Chas R Tucker clerk of New Bedford Monthly Meeting -}

3 Mo 1854 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3 Mo 23d 1854.

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Henry T Wood, Rufus Shearman. Longplain Timothy Davis and Jabez Wood, who are present except one.

Visit of Obadiah Chase

Our beloved friend Obadiah Chase attended this meeting, and presented a satisfactory Certificate from Swansey Monthly Meeting expressive of the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements - his company and gospel labours have been acceptable to us - and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings were read at this time

3 Mo 1854 a summary of, which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting. We appoint Thomas Wood, Edmund
Queries Gardner, Daniel Davis & Chas R Tucker our representatives to said Meeting.

The committee appointed last Month to visit George Kempston on account of his request
Geo Kempston to be received into Membership - made the following report - which being read was considered and accepted, and he is accordingly received a member of our religious Society - and Chas R Tucker is named to inform him thereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have had an interview with George Kempston - he appears
Report to be attached to the principles of Friends and sincere in his request to become a member of our Society - It is our judgement that it will be best to receive him - which we submit to the Meeting -

New Bedford 3 Mo 23, 1854 Wm P Howland
Josiah Holmes Jr

A removal certificate to Sandwich Mo Meeting on behalf of Allen Kelley ~~and~~ his
A Kelley family wife Betsey, and his minor Children Elizabeth S and Adolphus B Kelley is approved the womens meeting concurring herein.

Wm Taber having requested a certificate on acct of marriage to Scipio Monthly Meeting
Wm Taber we appoint Joseph Taber and Edmund Gardner to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Mo meeting.

Daniel B Akin having requested a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, Henry T Wood and Wm Gifford
D. B. Akin are appointed to extend the required care in the case and report to a future meeting.

The committee appointed in the ninth month last to superintend the repairs of the Meeting House at Longplain
om on ongplain tg House. presented the following report, which being read was acceptable to the Meeting, and the committee are released from further attention in the case.

3d Mo 1854 To the Monthly Meeting

The your Committee appointed in the ninth Month last to repair the

Report Meeting House at Longplain report.

That they have given attention thereto by causing the House to be put in good repair, building a number of Sheds, repairing the walls &c at an expense of One thousand three hundred and sixty dollars.

2d M. 23, 1854 On behalf the Committee
Richard Davis
Jos R Wing

Susan Howlands minute Our beloved friend Susan Howland spread before this meeting a concern that had for a considerable length of time rested upon her mind to attend the approaching yearly Meeting of New York and some Meetings and families constituting it, if way should open for it in the ~~truth~~ - which after a time of solid deliberation was fully united with & she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct - She being a minister in unity with us. The clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Wm C Taber & wife Our esteemed friend Wm C Taber informed this meeting that he had a prospect with his wife Hannah T Taber of attending New York yearly meeting as companions to our beloved friend Susan Howland and to visit such Meetings and families constituting that Meeting as way should open for in the truth which this meeting fully unites with - he being an Elder in good esteem with us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with a Minute comprehending the Substance of this.

The clerk informed the meeting that the Certificate recd last month for Nathl Potter & Son had been returned to Granville Mo Meeting as instructed by this Meeting.

atts Charles R Tucker clerk

4 Mo 1854 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 Mo 27. 1854.

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Abm Barker, Joseph Taber - Longplain Jonathan Cowin and Walter Davis - who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Geo Kempston The friend named last Month to inform Geo Kempston with the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has attended to the appointment.

J H Gardner The committee appointed in the 12th month on account of John H Gardners request for a removal certificate - report that he deceased at Cincinnati on the 7th of 2d month last; and the committee are now released.

Charlotte B Sampson We unite with the womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Charlotte B Sampson.

Abm Taber A certificate to Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abm Taber on account of marriage is approved.

Danl B. Akin A removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting for Daniel B Akin is approved - women friends concurring therein.

Overseers of Poor The time for which the overseers of the poor of this meeting were appointed having expired - the friends now under appointment viz - Edmund Gardner, Wm Gifford, Philip Anthony Geo Howland Jr, Wm R Taber, John Wood, Richard Davis and Seth R Akin are continued on that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

5 Mo 1854 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5 Mo 25. 1854.

The representatives under appointment to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Francis Bowman Wm Gifford - Longplain Marlboro Bradford and Cornelius Macomber - who are present.

Phebe H Allen We unite with the womens Meeting in receiving Phebe H Allen as a member of our religious society.

attest Chas R Tucker Clerk.

6 month At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 Mo 22d 1854

The representatives under appointment to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Rufus Shearman Samuel W Snow, Longplain Arnold G Tripp and Peleg Wilbur, who are present.

John L Eddy's visit Our beloved friend John L Eddy attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from Greenwich Mo Meeting and Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting, Ohio, expressive of unity with him as a Minister, and his present religious engagements - his company and Gospel Labours have been acceptable to us.

R L Roberts Our esteemed friend Reuben L Roberts attended this Meeting as Companion to our friend John L Eddy, and presented a satisfactory minute from Giliad Monthly Meeting, Ohio, - his company and solid deportment have been satisfactory to this meeting.

Queries The Queries with answers from our Preparative meetings to the 1st 2 & 10th have been read at this time, a Summary from which was approved & directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, we have appointed George Howland Jr, Elnathan E Delano, Henry T Wood & Danl Davis to attend as our representatives.

John E Almy A removal certificate on behalf of John E Almy from Dartmouth Mo meeting is accepted, the womens meeting having united herein.

6 Mo 1854 The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens Meeting in furnishing the above named friends with copies of minutes so far as they relate to each respectfully.

Ruth Davis's Our beloved friend Ruth Davis informed this Meeting that she had felt it right to spread before her friends a prospect that had for some time rested upon her mind, to attend Salem Mo Meeting and visit the families constituting it, if way should open for it in the truth: which after a time of solid deliberation was fully united with, and she encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct. She being a minister in unity with us.

att Chas R Tucker clerk

7 Mo 1854 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7 mo 27. 1854.

The Representatives to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Francis Bowman, Nathan Bowman - Longplain Jonathan Ewing & John R Davis Jr. who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

oel Batty visit Our beloved friend Joel Batty attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from Farrisburg Monthly Meeting endorseded by Farrisburg Quarterly Meeting expressive of their unity with his ministry and present religious engagements - his company and Gospel Labours have been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens Meeting in furnishing him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Extracts Yr. Mtg Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the committee having the charge of the Boarding School and a minute relating to information respecting the observance of the fourth

7 mo 1854 Query, were received and read at this time and are satisfactory to the Meeting.

Com to Send Children to School

Charles R Tucker, Joseph Taber George Howland jr W^m R Taber & Richard Davis are appointed to take the necessary care in regard to Children about to enter the Boarding School at Providence, and friends are desired to make seasonable application to the committee for certificates previous to sending their Children to the School. The committee are also directed to present the case of any child that may in their opinion be entitled to the benefit of the Charitable fund of said School to the general School committee.

Copies London Epistle &c

210 Copies of the London printed Epistle for 1853 - 130 copies of the printed minutes of our last yearly Meeting and 285 copies of the address issued by that Meeting were received at this time and Henry T Wood Jonathan Cowing Rich^d Davis and Albert Wood are appointed to distribute them among our members.

Stock for Qr Meetg

The following account was received from the Quarterly Meeting relating to the apportionment of Stock, and the amount proposed to be raised for the use of that Meeting - which being satisfactory to us our Treasurer was authorized to pay our proportion of said amount when the state of the Treasury will admit.

"At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 7 mo 6. 1854.

The representatives reported that they had confered together and were united in proposing that the sum of Six hundred fifty dollars be raised for the service of this Meeting the ensuing year, which proposition was united with and our several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportions of that sum to

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, in the sixth month, 1854.

The Boarding School Commitee presented their Annual Report, which was satisfactory to this Meeting, and the propositions thereof approved, and the Clerk directed to furnish copies of it to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. It is as follows, viz :

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have given attention to the duties of their appointment, during the past year, and according to ability afforded, have endeavored so to direct the affairs of the institution as to render it most conducive to the design of Friends in its establishment.

There were admitted for the Summer Term 114, and for the Winter Term 192 scholars—12 of the latter to supply the places of those who failed to come. Of those admitted, 106 in the Summer and 158 in the Winter Terms, attended the School.

Circumstances no doubt occur, which necessarily prevent a scholar from coming to the school after applying for and obtaining admission, but we desire to impress upon the minds of Friends, the inconvenience and often the loss liable to be sustained, when scholars who apply for and obtain regular admission, and who are included in the number which the school can accommodate, fail to come, and their places remain vacant, to the exclusion of others who are desirous of filling them. Embarrassment has resulted from this cause during the last year, and we consider it quite important that Friends in making their applications for admission of scholars, should bear these considerations in mind.

We have had the acceptable services during the year of Charles Atherton, and Gertrude E. Whittier, as Principals, assisted during the Summer Term by Edward G. Hoag, William H. Varney, Lydia M. Neal and Pamelia C. Varney, and as Teacher of Latin and Greek, by Charles H. Parkhurst;—Gertrude E. Whittier also, taught the French Language—and during the Winter Term by William H. Varney, Charles A. Smiley, Timothy B. Hussey, Anna McKeel and Parmelia C. Varney; and as Teacher of Latin and Greek, by William L. Dean, and of French and German, by Louise Parrot. Elizabeth Prosser has been Teacher of drawing and needle work through both Terms.

We believe the system of teaching under these instructors, has been thorough, and the government of the school firm and at the same time kind and parental. The progress of the scholars in their various studies has been generally satisfactory, evincing care and industry in both scholars and teachers.

Orderly deportment has generally been observed among the scholars, and a disposition cheerfully to submit to the rules of the school has been shown, with very few exceptions.

The plan adopted of placing the domestic and farming operations of the institution under the care of a Steward and Matron, has been continued in operation during the year, so far as circumstances would permit, and we believe these departments have been conducted as satisfactorily and economically as under any former system.

Attention has been given to promote the improvement of the farm and grounds about the house, and a generous offer by a friend to present the institution with a sufficient number of fruit trees to plant two or three acres of land and to attend to the planting of the same, has been accepted by the Committee, and the trees, as proposed, have been planted the present spring.

The extensive and thorough repairs which were put upon the buildings in 1852, have added very much to the convenience, pleasantness and usefulness of the school. It has been found necessary however to make some considerable alterations and improvements in the apparatus for cooking, in which at the time of the general repair alluded to no alteration was made.

A full supply of pure water in the institution is of great importance, and the attention of the Committee has been given to this subject, and arrangements are made which it is hoped may secure this end.

Meetings for worship have been continued in the school on First Day mornings. These meetings have been frequently attended by members of the Committee. The deportment of the scholars on these occasions has been serious and becoming, and they have at times been seasons of much solemnity. On First Day afternoons, and in the middle of the week, the family attend meeting in Providence. Harmony has, during the year, been preserved among the various branches of the family.

Leave has been granted by the Committee to the trustees of Obadiah Brown's Benevolent Fund, to take copies of the minutes made by the School Committee, respecting our late beloved friends, Moses Brown, William Almy and Obadiah Brown, with a view to their being printed.

The family has during the year been mostly preserved in health, yet one member has been removed by death. Our esteemed friend, Hannah Allen, who died after a short illness of pneumonia, in the second month last. She bore her sickness with much Christian patience, looking in prayer as we trust to that source from whence alone true consolation and support come. Our friend had acceptably filled the station of matron, and at the time of her last sickness was in the performance of the responsible duties of nurse.

The accounts of the institution for the past year have been examined and settled, by which it appears that there has been received:

From the income of the School Fund, -	$6,710 40
From the Charitable Fund, - -	460 00
From the Farm Fund, - -	390 00
From Scholars, for board, tuition, stationery, &c., including $76 21, from sales of some small articles, - - - -	10.316 00
	$17,876 40.
The expenditures of the institution have been:	
By the Treasurer, for fire insurance, -	165 00
Interest on $6,500; borrowed from the Farm Fund, $390 00, and on other indebtedness of the institution, $205 70, - -	595 70
Payments by the Principal for the support of the institution, including salaries, wages, supplies for the family, repairs and improvements, &c.	18,718 79
	$19,479 49
At the time of our last report the indebtedness of the institution was, - -	$1,955 99
By the above statement of the accounts it appears that the income has fallen short of the expenditures, the sum of - -	1,603 09
Increasing the indebtedness, to the sum of	$3,559 08

Beside the indebtedness of $6,500 to the farm fund.

The excess of expenditures may be mainly attributed to the increase in the prices of nearly all articles of consumption, required in the institution.

In view of the above result, it seems not only prudent and proper but absolutely necessary to increase the price of board and tuition. And after much consideration we have concluded to recommend that the charge per Term should be $40 for members of our Yearly Meeting—$60 when one or both parents are members of this Yearly Meeting, or the children are being brought up as Friends, or are sent at the charge of members of this Yearly Meeting, and also for members of our Society of other Yearly Meetings—and $80 for any others that may be admitted. That $5 per term additional charge continue to be made for instruction, either in the ancient Languages, in French or in Drawing.

Payment to be made half at the commencement and half at the middle of each term—books and stationery being furnished as last year at actual cost.

We add hereto the following extracts from our report of last year, for the information of Friends, viz:—'As the number to be admitted is limited to 80 of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all, in this Yearly Meeting, that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. Applications should therefore, in all cases be made seasonably to be laid before the meetings of the Committee, held on Third day before the first Fifth day in the Ninth month, for those who desire to attend during the Winter Term—and on Third day before the first Fifth day in the Third month, for those wishing to attend the Summer Term. Monthly meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the charitable fund, are requested to send their applications in season for the meeting of the Committee in the Ninth month, and to specify whether they desire it during the Winter or succeeding Summer Term. All communications respecting the admission of scholars may be addressed to one of the principal Teachers.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the Term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendauce, notice is to be forwarded to the principal Teachers, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the School or to give the notice above specified, shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the Committee, and in all cases of children being admitted for the Term and attending the School, it is expected that paymeut will be made for the Term.'

In conclusion, we believe there is cause for encouragement for Friends still to avail themselves of the means for improvement which the Institution presents, and to continue to watch over and endeavor to promote its interests.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee

STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk.

Providence, 5th Month, 30th, 1854."

A proposition from Salem Quarterly Meeting in relation to the issuing of advice by this Meeting with regard to obtaining minute information in respect to the observance of the fourth query coming under consideration at this time, by reference from our Minutes of last year, and the subject of it having claimed our serious attention by the reading of the answers now received to that query, in consequence of a want of sufficiently definite information in regard to the use of spirituous liquors, it is the desire of this Meeting that our subordinate Meetings should in future make in their answers, a definite statement as to the number coming to their knowledge (should there unhappily be any within their limits) who use spirituous liquors, except for medicine, and Friends are reqested to be faithful in the exercise of our Christine Discipline on this subject, and in the answers to all our queries, our Meetings are requested to make them as explicit as is practicable, and the Clerk is directed to furnish our subordinate Meetings with a copy of this minute.

From the Minutes of the Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

no 1854 Our Treasurer.

They also proposed the following apportionment of the Stock to be raised for the Service of this Meeting viz.

Sandwich Mo Meeting	to pay	20	per	cent
Nantucket	"	"	2	"	"
Pembroke	"	"	4	"	"
Dartmouth	"	"	19	"	"
West Port	"	"	5	"	"
New Bedford	"	"	50	"	"

which is satisfactory and the clerk is directed to inform our respective Mo Meetgs of this conclusion

From the minutes of the Meeting
To New Bedford } Wm C Taber Clerk
Monthly Meeting }

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pistle

The London printed Epistle for 1853 was read in this Meeting to our edification and acceptance.

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minute

This meeting being informed that our friend Rufus Shearman had a prospect of accompanying our friend Saml Gifford of Sandwich Monthly Meeting on a religious visit to friends and others within the limits of New England yearly Meeting, which claiming our deliberation was united with and he was set at liberty to proceed therein, being a member in unity with us.

atts Chas R Tucker clerk

mo 1854

At New Bedford monthly Meeting held 8 Mo 24. 1854.

The representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber Saml W Snow, Longplain Peleg Wilbur and Marlboro Bradford who are present.

The Committee named last month to distribute the London printed Epistle and other documents report that attention has been given to the appointment.

Since our last Monthly Meeting -

8 Mo 1854 Copies of Memorials of deceased friends printed by direction of our last yearly Meeting have

Memorials been received and distributed in the usual way among our members.

Our esteemed friend Rufus Shearman returned to this Meeting a minute furnished him in the Seventh Month to accompany Sewd

Rufus Shearman Gifford on a religious visit within the limits of New England Yearly Meeting— He ~~informed friends~~ produced a returning Minute from Salem Quarterly Meeting, and informed friends that they had attended all the Meetings in Vassalboro and Fairfield Quarters except One, and some meetings within the limits of Falmouth and Dover Quarters - which had been to the Satisfaction and peace of his own mind - and is acceptable to this Meeting.

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

9 month At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 Mo 28 1854

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Rufus Shearman George Howland Jr - Longplain Corns Macomber and Jos Kempton who are present.

The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th were

Queries read in this Meeting - a summary from which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - Danl Davis, Thomas Wood & Geo Howland Jr are appointed to attend as our representatives.

The Committee having the Oversight of funerals and care of burial grounds made

Committee on Funerals the following report - which being considered was satisfactory to the Meeting - and the friends now under appointment viz

Jos Taber Geo Howland Jr Benj Swift Rufus Shearman Chas R Tucker Wm P Howland Henry T Wood Wm Gifford Ed Gardner Abm Davis Richd Davis Tho H Howland Corns Macomber Jos R Wing Wm R Taber Tho Wood Gidn Wood John Wood E E Delano J Holmes Jr Ed W Howland and Francis Bowman

9 mo 1854 are continued on that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment and they were encouraged to labour faithfully in order that our discipline may be fully maintained with regard to burial grounds & Monuments.

Report

To the Mo Meeting

The committee having the oversight at funerals and care of burial grounds "Report" that during the past year some of their number have attended all funerals held under the care of friends that have come to their knowledge - there has been two monuments erected at Rochester - no other deviations noticed - Some care has been extended.

On behalf of the committee

Josiah Holmes for
Wm P Howland

John D Kempton The committee under appointment in the case of John D Kempton presented the following "Report" which being considered was accepted, and in accordance therewith we disown him as a member of our religious society - the womens meeting having united herewith - and John Wood is appointed to inform him hereof.

"Report"

The committee appointed to visit John D Kempton report that one of their number has had several opportunities with him, and although he expressed a wish to retain his right of Membership in our society, yet it does not appear to the committee that he is in a state of mind to give friends satisfaction for his conduct -

Beleiving that further labour from us will be unavailing we submit the case to the monthly meeting.

New Bedford
9 M 28. 1854

Thomas Wood
Wm C Taber
Chas R Tucker

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

10 mo. 1854 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10 mo. 26 1854

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford" Daniel Davis Saml N Snow - Longplain Richard Davis and Jabez Wood who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meetg report that they attended.

Abbie E Steer — We concur with the womens Meeting in the approval of a removal certificate for Abbie E Steere wife of Robt Steere to Providence Mo Meeting.

Mary Jane Tabers — We also concur with that Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary Jane Taber wife of Abm Taber.

Atts Charles R Tucker Clerk

11 month At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 11 mo. 23. 1854

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford" Henry T Wood Areli D'wolf Longplain Jos R Wing and Peleg Wilbur" who are present.

The Queries with ans to the 1. 2. and 10th were read in this Meeting, from which a Summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - Wm R Taber Danl Davis Abm T Barker and Jos Taber are appointed to attend as our Representatives.

Jabez Wood — Our esteemed friend Jabez Wood informed this Meeting that he had a prospect of accompanying our friend Lemuel Gifford on a religious visit within the limits of Rhode-Island, Smithfield and Salem Quarterly Meetgs, which being considered was united with and he was liberated to proceed therein, ~~he~~ being a member well esteemed by us.

Geo W Francis & family — A removal certificate from Gilead Monthly Meeting Ohio, on behalf of George W Francis and his wife Mary Ann with their minor children viz" Joseph Parker and Elizabeth Austin is accepted having the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

Mary J Francis — We unite with the womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate on behalf of

11 mo 1854 Mary F. Francis from Gilead Mo Meeting Ohio.

Susan
Howland
Returns
Minute

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this Meeting a certificate granted her in the third month last for religious service in New York Yearly Meeting as expressed therein - She informed friends that she had been mercifully favoured to perform what she had in prospect, much to the releif and peace of her own mind, and although her visit was not continued to that extent that she had at first contemplated in consequence of an afflicting dispensation from the hand of Divine Providence, she had felt peaceful in returning and released from further service. She presented returning minutes from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in New York and from the Mo Meetings of Purchase, Shappaqua, Amawalk, Scipio, Pelham, Norwich and Yonge Street. The account given by our dear friend of her visit, and the returning minutes named above, were very acceptable to this Meeting.

Wm C &
Hannah T
Tabers
Minute

Our esteemed friends William C Taber and wife Hannah T Taber returned to this Meeting a minute furnished them in the 3d month last to accompany our friend Susan Howland on her religious visit to New York Yearly Meeting - They informed us that the company & religious labours of the dear friend whose companions they were had been well received, and that the visit had been performed much to their own releif and satisfaction. They also presented returning minutes from New York Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for Wm C Taber and from the Yearly Meeting for Hannah T Taber and also minutes from the Monthly Meetings of Purchase, Shappaqua, Amawalk, Scipio, Pelham Norwich and Yonge Street - all of which is acceptable to friends

Ruth Davis
eturns
Minute

Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned to this Meeting a minute furnished her in the Sixth Month last to attend Salem Monthly Meeting and visit the families constituting it - She informed the meeting that she had been able in her feeble state of health to perform the service she had in prospect

11 Mo 1854 with less fateague than she had expected to the peace of her own mind - She presented a returning Minute from Salem Mo Meeting stating that she had been acceptably with them and had visited nearly all the families within the limits of that Meeting which is acceptable us.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

12 month At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 12m 28, 1854

The Representatives named to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber Alex Hillman - Longplain Alex Howland and Richd Davis - who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

Wm H Hussey & wife William H Hussey having requested a removal certificate for himself and wife to New York Monthly Meeting, we appoint Henry T Wood and Wm P Howland to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future Meeting.

Wm A Hussey William A Hussey having requested a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting Henry T Wood and Wm P Howland are appointed to take the usual care in the case, and if nothing appears to obstruct to present a certificate to a future Meeting.

Auditors We appoint Abm Barker Wm Gifford and Edw W Howland to examine and settle the accounts of the Treasurer of this Meeting, to ascertain what sum will be required for the service of this Meeting the ensuing year, and propose the name of a friend for Treasurer.

Also to audit the several trust funds under the care of this Meeting and report next month.

Louisa Howe We unite with the womens Meeting in disowning Louisa Howe "late Russell" as a member of our religious society for her deviation in marriage she not manifesting any wish to be retained in membership with us.

The committee having charge of the Meeting at Rochester presented the following report which being considered was accepted and the committee now under appointment
Rochester Com Viz Abm Davis Rufus Shearman Elnathan E Delano Philip Anthony Wm R Taber Thomas Wood Danl Davis Wm P Howland Chas R Tucker Richard Davis Wm C Taber Matthew Howland Francis Bowman and Henry T Wood, are continued on that service, to unite with a similar committee of women friends for the ensuing year and they are desired to report in the 12th month next.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, the friends now under appointment viz Daniel Davis, Edmund Gardner Wm Gifford John Wood and Richard Davis are reappointed
Overseers to serve this meeting as Overseers for the year ensuing or untill another appointment, and it now appearing that no friend in the Station of Overseer resides within the limits of Acushnet Meeting, we appoint Wm C Taber Wm R Taber and Josiah Holmes Jr to take the subject into consideration and if the way should open for it, to present to a future meeting the name of a suitable friend to fill the Station of Overseer who resides within the limits of that Meeting.

Report
The committee having charge of the Meeting at Rochester report,
That the Meetings have been kept up through the past year and that some of our number have frequently attended them to a good degree of satisfaction.
We reccommend that they be continued as heretofore under the care of a Committee.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting 12 m: 28. 1854

On behalf of the Committee
Danl Davis
Deborah Shearman
Hannah T Taber

atts Chas R Tucker clerk.

1 mo 1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1 Mo 25. 1855.
Representatives named to this Meeting are from New Bedford Geo Howland Jr Saml W Snow Long Plain Peleg Wilbur and Jos R Wing - who are present.

James M Tripp & family A request being received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting from James M Tripp and his wife Rhoda Ann to be received with their children into membership with us, we appoint Wm R Taber and Wm P Howland to unite with a committee from the womens Meeting in visiting the family, and report their judgement in the case to a future Meeting.

Wm H Hussey & family A removal certificate on behalf of Wm H Hussey and his wife Cornelia with their daughter Mary D Hussey to New York Monthly Meeting is approved having the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

Wm A Hussey A removal certificate to the same Mo Meeting is also approved on behalf of Wm A Hussey the womens Meeting uniting herein.

Wm Elison & family A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of William Elison his wife Abby S and their minor children Asa S and Edw H Elison is accepted with the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

Lydia Congdon Lydia Congdon informed this Meeting that she felt a willingness to accompany our friend Phebe R Gifford in the attendance of Smithfield Qr Meeting and a few Meetings within its limits - her prospect was fully united with - she being an Elder in unity with us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens Meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Susan T Tripp We unite with the womens Meeting in the acceptance of a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly on behalf of Susan T Tripp wife of Arnold G Tripp.

Jos Kempton Overseer The committee appointed last Month on the subject of Overseers residing within the limits of Acushnett Meeting, propose the name of Joseph Kempton to fill

1 Mo 1855 that Station, which being united with, he is appointed an Overseer of this Meeting untill our next annual appointment

Auditors Report

The committee appointed last month to examine & settle the Treasurers accts and for other purposes, have presented the following report, which being considered was accepted, and in accordance therewith Henry T Wood is appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment- and Seth R Akin B Franklin Howland Albert Wood Jonathan Cowin Wm G Wood and Peter D Slade are appointed to receive the Subscriptions of friends to the amount of five hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised, and when accomplished present to this Meeting the receipt of the Treasurer for said amount.

Com on Educational fund

The committee now under appointment viz Joseph Taber, Geo Howland jr Chas R Tucker Wm R Taber and Richd Davis having charge of the Educational fund left by our late dear friend Abm Shearman jr are continued on that Service for the Comeing year or till another appointment.

Com on Charitable fund

And the committee having charge of the Charitable fund left by the dear friend named above viz Wm C Taber, Henry T Wood Wm Gifford Edward W Howland & Geo Howland jr are continued on said appointment for the ensuing year or untill others are chosen in their Stead.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to emamine and settle the accounts with Henry T Wood Treasurer; to report a sum to be raised for the use of the Meeting this year— also to examine and settle the accounts of Wm C Taber Treasurer of the fund left by Abraham Shearman for Charitable purposes, and to examine the accounts of George Howland jr Treasurer of the School fund left by the same, and also the accounts

1 Month 1855 with the Trustees of the estate of John West - have attended to that service and make the following report.

That we have examined and Auditors Report settled the accounts of Henry T Wood Treasurer and find them correct - The balance in his hands carried to new account is nineteen & 47/100 dollars, the committee propose the sum of five hundred dollars to be raised for the use of the Meeting this year - They also propose Henry T Wood for Treasurer.

We have examined the accounts of Wm Taber Treasurer of the charitable fund left by Abm Shearman and find that he has recd during the past year, dividends to the amount of one hundred and twenty dollars, to this amount add the balance of old acct, twenty two dollars & 50/100th, making the sum of One hundred forty two & 50/100 dollars. of this amount we find that the committee have distributed to nineteen persons in small sums, one hundred twenty one & 50/100 dollars, leaving a balance on hand of twenty one dollars - we find this account correct.

We have examined the accounts of Geo Howland Treasurer of the Educational fund left by A Shearman - He has received during the year ninety six dolls and has paid out ninety one & 23/100 dolls leaving a balance on hand of four & 77/100 dolls. The amount thus expended has been for the schooling of four children one term at the Preparative Meeting schools, and two children one term at Friends Boarding School at Providence.

We have also examined and settled the accounts with the Trustees of the * Estate of John West. The balance remaining in their hands is one hundred thirty four & 85/100 dollars - that they have paid out during the year to thirty seven persons the sum of two hundred & two dollars - The Trustees

1 Mo 1855 informed us that they had sold the farm on Sconticut neck belonging to said estate in the third Month last to Beriah Austin for the sum of thirty eight hundred dollars and two shares of Stock in the Fairhaven Rail Road.

The proceeds they have invested in part as follows – Thirteen shares of the Capital Stock of the Marine Bank, and ten Shares of the Stock of the Merchants Bank. The bal is secured by a mortgage on the Farm.

We find the Trustees account with satisfactory vouchers to be correct – The income arising from the proceeds of the sale of the farm, as now invested will, in the opinion of your committee yield a sum, double the amount of that heretofore produced from the products of the farm – Thereby increasing the means to be applied for the benefit of that class of persons which the donor intended, should be the recipients of his bounty.

All of which is submitted to the meeting.

New Bedford
1 Mo 24 1855

Abm Barker
Wm Gifford
Edw W Howland

Attest Charles R Tucker clerk

2 Mo 1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2 Mo 22d 1855.

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Rufus Shearman Alex Hillman Longplain John Wood and Peter D Slade, who are present except one.

James M Tripp & family The committee appointed last month to visit James M Tripp & family on account of their request to be received into membership have presented the following "report –" which being considered was united with, and having the concurrence of the women's meeting they are received as members of our religious society, and Wm R Taber is appointed to inform them of the

2d Mo 1855 conclusion of this meeting

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited James M Tripp and his wife Rhoda Ann on account of their request for themselves and their minor children Harriet L and Charles M to be received into Membership with us. Our interview with them was to a good degree of satisfaction, and we think it would be safe to grant their request. Which we submit to the meeting

On behalf of the committee

New Bedford
2 Mo 22d 1855.

Wm P Howland
Rhoda Howland

Collecting Committee — The committee appointed last month to receive the Subscription of Friends for the use of this Meeting presented the Treasurers receipt for Five hundred dollars the amo proposed to be raised.

Recorders — The time for which the Recorders of this Meeting were appointed having expired — Matthew Howland is appointed Recorder and Wm P Taber and Rich Davis assistant Recorders of this Meeting for the ensuing year or untill another appointment.

Committee on Records — The committee under appointment to assist the Recorders made the following report, which being read was acceptable to the Meeting, from which it appears that they had given it close attention to the Subject, and the Records now being in a satisfactory condition they are released from further Service.

"Report"

To the Monthly Meeting

Report — The Committee appointed to assist the Recorders and examine the Records of this Meeting, have they believe given the necessary attention to the Subject of their appointment, and Report that Marriage Certificates are all recorded, and an entry has been made of all Births

2 Mo 1855 and deaths within our limits so far as the knowledge of the committee extends.

A few names appear upon our Books, of Friends who have settled abroad without removal certificates.

We now find upon a careful examination that there are upon our Records of members who appear to belong to

New Bedford Prep. Meeting — — — —		267
to Longplain particular Meeting	48	
" Acushnett "	39	
" Fairhaven "	47	
" Rochester "	15	149
Total belonging to the Monthly Meeting		416

On behalf of the Committee
2 Mo 21. 1855 Henry T Wood

James D. Hoxie

We are informed that James D Hoxie requests a Certificate on account of marriage to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, Henry T Wood and Francis Bowman are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report next month.

Judith F. Hussey

We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal Certificate from Philadelphia Mo Meeting for the Western District on behalf of Judith F Hussey.

Jaber Wood

Jaber Wood returned to this meeting a minute furnished him in the eleventh month last to accompany our friend Sewl Gifford on a religious visit as expressed therein and has presented returning minutes from the Monthly Meetings of Bolton, Smithfield, Uxbridge and Swansey, all of which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

Att Charles R Tucker Clerk

3 Mo 1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3 Mo 22. 1855

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm Barker Saml W Snow - Longplain Albert Wood and Cornl Macomber who are present.

Clerks appointed The time for which the clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired the Representatives proposed the names of Charles R Tucker for Clerk and Matthew Howland for assistant clerk, which being united with they are appointed to fill those stations for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Queries The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings were read at this time, a Summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting to which service we appoint Joseph Taber Henry T Wood Jos R Wing and Josiah Holmes Jr.

Arthur T Wilbur The following complaint from the Overseers against Arthur T Wilbur was recd through Longplain Preparative Meeting - we appoint Elnathan E Delano and Jabez Wood to visit him on account of his deviation and report their judgement in the case at a future Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

The overseers inform that Arthur T Wilbur has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member.

Fairhaven 3 Mo 14. 1855. John Wood
Joseph Kempton
Richard Davis

Geo Kempton & M M Snow The following written communication was received from George Kempton and Marianna M Snow making a declaration of marriage

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

With Divine permission and the approbation of Friends we intend marriage with each other. Geo Kempton
Marianna M Snow

3d Mo 1855 We appoint Wm Gifford and Seth K Aiken to make the usual enquiries respecting the clearness of George Kempton to proceed in marriage and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

We unite with the womens meeting
Mary T Johnson in retaining Mary T Johnson "late Francis" a member of our religious Society, she having deviated in marriage.

Lydia Congdon returned to this Meeting
Lydia Congdon a certificate furnished her in the first Month to accompany Phebe R Gifford in the attendance of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, and presented a returning minute from that Meeting which is acceptable to us.

A certificate on behalf of James D
J D Hoxie Hoxie on account of Marriage to Sandwich Monthly Meeting is approved.

The friend named last Month to inform James M Tripp with the conclusion of this Meeting in his case, reports that he has attended to the appointment.

We are informed that our
Stock proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Attest Chas R Tucker Clerk

4 Month At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 Mo 26. 1855

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Gideon Wood and Daniel Davis - Longplain Thomas H Howland and Peleg Wilber who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report that they attended.

The following complaint from the Overseers
Daniel Thornton against Daniel Thornton was received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting - we appoint Wm P Howland and Abm Barker to visit him on account of his deviation and report their judgement in the case to a future meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting
Complaint Daniel Thornton has married out of the

4th mo 1855 the order of Society with one who is not a
member.

The following complaint from the
Overseers against Wm W Gifford was also received
through New Bedford preparative meeting
Wm W Gifford we appoint Rufus Shearman Seth K. Akin and
Henry T Wood to visit him on account of
the complaint and Report their judgement
in the case to a future meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting
Complaint Wm W Gifford has maried out of
the order of our Society with one who is
not a member.
New Bedford
4 Mo 19. 1855.
Danl Davis }
Wm Gifford } Overseers

George Kempton and Marianna M Snow
having at our last Monthly Meeting presented
a written declaration of their intentions of
Geo Kempton & M M Snow marriage with each other, and they now
having consent of Parents and appearing
clear to proceed therein, are allowed to
Solemnize their said Marriage according
to the established order of our Religious
Society – William Gifford and Charles R
Tucker are appointed to have the Oversight
thereof and report at our next Monthly
Meeting.

The friend named to inform
J D Kempton John D Kempton with the Conclusion of this
Meeting in his case reports that he has
informed him.

The time for which the Overseers of the
poor were appointed having expired –
Overseers of the Poor Edmund Gardner, Philip Anthony Wm Gifford
Geo Howland jr. Wm R Taber John Wood Richard
Davis & Seth K Akin are appointed to that
Service for the year ensuing or untill
another appointment.

We unite with the womens meeting
Phebe Gifford in receiving Phebe Gifford into mem
bership with us.

att Chas R Tucker Clerk

5 Mo 1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5 mo. 24th 1855.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm P. Howland Rufus Shearman - Longplain Joseph Kempton and Peter D Slade - who are present.

Marriage
Geo Kempton
& M M Snow

The committee appointed last month to have the Oversight of Geo Kemptons and Marianna M Snows marriage - Report they attended and that it was orderly conducted, and the certificate placed in the hands of the recorder.

Thomas
Almy

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Almy is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Chas H
Gifford

The following ~~complaint~~ communication with the accompanying complaint having been received from Sandwich Monthly Meeting - we appoint Wm P Howland and Henry T Wood to visit Chas Henry Gifford on account of his deviation as set forth in the complaint and report their judgement in the case to a future Meeting.

Sandwich
Monthly
Meeting

Through Sandwich Preparative Meeting we have received a complaint against Charles Henry Gifford, and as he resides within the limits of New Bedford Mo Meeting it is concluded to refer the case to that Meeting, and request them to bestow such care and labour as may seem proper, and inform this meeting with the result.

The clerk is directed to forward the complaint with the Substance of this minute to that Meeting.

From the minutes of Sandwich Mo meeting of Friends held at Falmouth 5 Mo 4. 1855.
David K Akin clerk

Complaint

To Sandwich Mo Meeting

We are informed that Chas Henry Gifford after having been previously cautioned has so far departed from the good order of our discipline as to unite in marriage with one not a member of our society.

Sandwich 4 Mo 24. 1855
Ebenezer Wing }
Jos Wing } Overseers.

6 Mo 1855 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 m 28. 1855.

The Representatives under appointment to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm Gifford James M Tripp - Longplain Corns Macomber and Jona Cowin, who are present.

Our beloved friend Isaac Jay attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory Minute from Mississinawa Mo Meeting endorsed
Isaac Jay by Northern Quarterly Meeting expressive of unity with as a minister and with his present religious engagements his company and Gospel labours have been acceptable to us.

Luke Thomas attended this meeting
Luke as companion to Isaac Jay with a satisfactory
Thomas. minute from New Garden Mo Meeting Indiana - his company and solid deportment have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Phebe Bishop attended this meeting with a certificate from Norwich
Phebe Mo Meeting endorsed by Pelham Quarterly
Bishop Meeting "Canada West" expressive of unity with her as a minister and with her present religious engagements, her company and Gospel Labors have been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friends Wm P Barker
Wm P Barker And Sarah T Barker attended this Meeting
Sarah T Barker as Companions to Phebe Bishop, with satisfactory Minutes from Norwich Mo Meeting "Canada West" their company and Christian deportment has been acceptable to us.

The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens Meeting in furnishing the friends named above with returning Minutes embracing the substance of this Minute so far as it may relate to each respectively.

6 Mo 1855 The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 & 10th a Summary from which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we have appointed Rufus Shearman Joseph Taber Chas R Tucker Richd Davis John Wood and Ed W Howland.

Committee Danl DeWolf The following complaint against Chas DeWolf was received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting, whereupon we appoint Wm C Taber Wm P Howland and Jos Davis to visit him on account of his deviation in marriage and report their judgement in the case to a future Meeting.

Complaint Charles DeWolf has so far departed from the order of our Society as to marry with one who is not a member.

New Bedford 6 Mo 20. 1855 Danl Davis }
Wm Gifford } Overseers.

Geo W Francis George W Francis having requested a removal certificate for himself wife and two minor children to Dartmouth Mo Meeting we appoint Elnathan E Delano and Jabez Wood to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Mo Meeting.

Daniel Thornton Disowned The Committee appointed in the fourth month to visit Daniel Thornton on acct of his deviation in marriage presented the following report, which being read and considered was united with — and with the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society — and Abm Barker is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report Agreeable to our appointment we have confered with Danl Thornton relative to his marrying contrary to the order of our society with one not a member. He expressed a degree of interest in Society, but does not wish to retain his right of membership with friends, which we submit

6 m° 1855 to the Meeting.

New Bedford   Wm P Howland
6 m° 28. 1855.   Abm Barker

Ed G Dillingham family — A removal certificate from Sandwich M° Meeting on behalf of Edward G Dillingham and wife Nancy B with their minor children Chas H, Mary S, Joseph, Betsey L, and Esther R, is accepted having the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

Susan Howlands Minute — Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty manner informed this meeting that she had for several years apprehended that it would be required of her in gospel love to attend Ohio yearly Meeting, and visit some of the Meetings and families within its limits if way should open for it in the truth; which after a time of solid deliberation her prospect was feelingly united with and she encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct, being a minister in unity with us. the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

attt Chas R Tucker clerk

7 m° 1855 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7 m° 26. 1855

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Francis Bowman Alex Hillman, Longplain Tho H Howland and Jabez Wood who are present except two, for the absence of one a sufficient reason was assigned.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

Geo W Francis & family — A removal certificate for Geo W Francis, his wife Mary Ann and their two minor children viz Joseph Parker and Elizabeth Austin to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting is approved with the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

7 Mo 1855 The Friend named last Month to inform Daniel Thornton with the conclusion of this Meeting

Daniel Thornton in his case reports that he has performed that Service.

The following account being received from the Quarterly Meeting, by which it appears that our

Qr. Meeting Stock proportion of Stock for that Meeting is $350.- dolls and our Treasurer is directed to pay said Amo when the State of our Treasury will admit to the Treasurer of that Meeting

At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth 7 Mo 5. 1855

The Representatives reported that they had conferred together and had united in proposing that Seven hundred sixty dollars be raised for the Service of this Meeting the ensuing year; which proposition was united with and our Several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportions of this Sum to our Treasurer.

From the minutes Wm C Faber Clerk

Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the committee having

Extracts from Y. Meeting in charge the Superintendance of the Y. Meeting Boarding School at Providence, and a minute requiring that Monthly Meetings by Committees mak suitable enquiries respecting the fitness of Schollars that propose entering the School, and that certificates be granted to such as said committee may approve, which certific-ates shall be required by the Boarding School committee in order for admission,

Committee on admission to Providence School Henry T Wood Matthew Howland, Faber Wood and Richard Davis are appointed to take the necessary care in accordance with the above minute, and friends are desired to make seasonable application to the committee for certificates— The committee are also directed to present the name of any child to the general School committee that may in their opinion be entitled to the benefit of the charitable fund of that Institution:

170 copies of the London printed Epistle

7 mo 1855
Epistles &c

for 1854 and 175 copies of the printed minutes of our last yearly Meeting having been received at this time, we appoint Wm G Wood Marlboro Bradford Jos R Wing Albert Wood and Josiah Holmes Jr to distribute the same among our members.

Mary T Johnson
removal

We unite with the womens Meeting in the approval of a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary T Johnson wife of David T Johnson.

Charles
Daniel
DeWolf
disowned

The committee appointed last month to visit Charles Dewolf on account of his deviation in marriage made the following report, which being considered was united with and we disown him as a member of our religious society, having the concurrence of the womens meeting. Wm C Taber is appointed to inform him thereof.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to visit Charles Dwolf report that we have had an opportunity with him, but did not find in him a willingness to make friends satisfaction for his deviation in marriage and he expressed to us that he had no desire on his own account to retain his right of membership.

Believing that further labour from us will be unavailing we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting.

Wm C Taber
Wm P Howland
Joseph Davis

London
Epistle

The London printed Epistle for 1854 has been read in this Meeting to our edification and acceptance.

Atts Charles R Tucker Clerk

S. P. HAZ
NO 190 CHESTNUT ST.
1856

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held in Rhode Island in the sixth month, 1855.

The Boarding School Committe presented their annual Report, viz:

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.]

The Committee charged with the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, Report

That the School has been continued in operation during the two terms of the last year. For the Summer term there were admitted one hundred and eighteen, and for the Winter term, one hundred and sixty-three scholars, nearly all of whom attended the school.

Our friends Charles Atherton and Gertrude E. Whittier have continued to render their acceptable services, as principals, assisted during the Summer term by William H. Varney, Charles A. Smiley, Timothy B. Hussey, Anna McKeel and Parmelia C. Varney; and during the Winter term, by Timothy B. Hussey, Augustine Jones, Anna McKeel and Parmelia C. Varney; as teacher of Latin by George H. Marston, and of French by Adele Parrot. Elizabeth Prosser has been engaged as teacher of Needle-work and Drawing for both terms.

Meetings of the Committee have been held monthly at the school, and members have been deputed at these meetings, for the more immediate care of the schools and family during each month. By these means, we believe a pretty thorough knowledge of the affairs of the Institution and the state of the Schools has been obtained by the Committee, and these have been generally satisfactory.

Harmony has been maintained in the family, and orderly deportment observed with little exception. The progress of the scholars in their various studies has also been generally what could be desired. Meetings for worship on First Day mornings have been held in the school-house as heretofore.

Notwithstanding the extensive repairs and improvements which have, within a few years, been made upon the house and school premises, it has been found necessary during the year past, to make sòme farther expenditure for these objects. During the last summer a long continued and severe drouth occasioned a short supply of pure water, for which, to a considerable extent, the collection of rain water was depended on. A sufficient supply of this article being deemed indispensible, the Committee did not hesitate to carry out a plan, long contemplated, of bringing by iron pipes, raised by a force pump, the water of the spring situated on the easterly part of the school lands, to the school-house. By this means the school was sufficiently supplied.

Other expenditures, which may be classed under the head of improvements, have also been necessarily provided for, amounting, with the water-works above mentioned, to about forty-five hundred dollars.

We believe that the state of the house and premises is now such, that little expenditure, other than for the ordinary current expenses of the school will be required for some time to come.

The accounts of the Institution have been audited and settled. The receipts have been—

From the income of the School Fund, -	$6,897 74
From the Charitable Fund, - - - - -	431 25
From a Friend at Prince Edward's Island,	50 00
From Scholars, for Board, Tuition, Stationery, &c.,	12,362 30
Total receipts, - - - - - -	$19,741 29

The expenditures have been—

By the Treasurer, for Fire Insurance, - -	$165 00
Tax of 1853, - - - - - - - -	200 97
Payment for Board and Tuition of Scholars at the School from the Charitable Fund,	440 00
Interest on $6,500, borrowed from the Farm Fund, and on other indebtedness of the Institution, - - - - - - -	707 95
Expense of copies of papers, - - - -	1 50
Payments by the Principal for the Support of the Institution, including salaries, wages, supplies for the family, farm expenses, repairs and improvements, - - - - -	22,943 75
	$24,459 17

At the time of our last report the indebtedness of the Institution, exclusive of the sum borrowed from the Farm Fund was - - - - - -	$3,559 08
This indebtedness has been increased as will be seen by the preceding statement, during the last year, the sum of - - - - -	4,717 88
Making the present debt - - -	$8,276 96

The sum of four thousand four hundred and eighty-nine dollars, eighty-seven cents, of the expenditures and consequent increase of indebtednes, above mentioned, has arisen from the disbursements for repairs and improvements, a large part of which were made the previous year, but appear in the above account. Beside which will be found in the account of expenditures the sum of two hundred dollars, ninety-seven cents, for the Tax assessed upon the School premises, in 1853, and of seven hundred and seven dollars, ninety-five cents, for interest on the indebtedness of the Institution, including that paid to the farm fund. The latter charge will of course cease, when means shall be found to discharge this indebtedness. The subject of Taxes, presents a question of much interest to the future financial prospects of the School, and is one to which the close attention of the Committee has been directed.—What the re[illegible] be, is not yet decided.

It appears probable from the above statement of the accounts, that exclusive of interest, taxes, and improvements on [illegible], the present prices of Board and Tuition would [illegible] the School.

In their report to the Yearly Meeting, in 1853, the School Committee proposed the appropriation of the proceeds of the sale of lands, north of Olney-street, authorized by the Yearly Meeting in 1847, to the payment of the indebtedness incurred the preceding year, for the extensive repairs and improvements then made, the same to be considered in the light of a loan to the School Funds, the interest of which should be annually expended in the permanent improvement of the real estate. This proposition was adopted by the Yearly Meeting; since that time, as well as previously, large expenditures have been made, for the objects to which the income of the above fund was concluded to be appropriated, much exceeding, together, the amount of the principal of the fund. We think it right, therefore, and accordingly propose that the appropriation of this fund shall no longer be considered as an item of indebtedness against the school funds; but that the principal having been expended in the permanent improvement of the real estate, the indebtedness of the school funds therefor shall be discharged.

At our Meeting, held 2d month, 27th, in view of the circumstances of the school, the following minute was adopted, viz.: "The present condition of the Institution, in its several relations and especially its pecuniary situation, coming under consideration at this time, it is the sense of this Committee, after very carefully and seriously weighing the matter, to propose to the Meeting for Sufferings, to vacate the School, from the close of the present term, until the time of our next Yearly Meeting, with a view to the further continuance of the same, if the Yearly Meeting approve; and the Clerk is requested to furnish the Clerk of the Meeting for Sufferings with a copy of this minute."

At our Meeting, held 4th month, 3d, we received from the Meeting for Sufferings the following minute, viz.:

"At a special meeting of the Meeting for Sufferings, held at Providence, 3d month, 9th, 1855, the following communication was at this time received from the Boarding School Committee, (referring to our minute above recited,) and after a time of deliberation thereon, in which this Meeting has endeavored to give the subject that solid consideration which its importance demands, it is concluded to accede to the proposition from the School Committee, and the Clerk is directed to furnish the Committee with a copy of this minute."

"Extracted from the Minutes, Samuel Boyce, Clerk."

In accordance with these conclusions the School is now vacated, and we have agreed with Charles W. Earle, and his wife, Cynthia H. Earle, to give their services as steward and matron, to reside in the house, and have the care and keeping, and the general supervision of the lands, buildings and property belonging to the Institution, of every description; and we have authorized the said Charles W. Earle to hold the custody of the premises and property.

All of which we submit to the consideration of the Yearly Meeting.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Committee,
STEPHEN A. CHASE, *Clerk.*

Newport, 6th mo., 9th, 1855."

which was referred for consideration, together with the affairs of the School generally, to a Committee who at a subsequent sitting made the the following Report, viz :

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the propositions made by the School [Committee in their Report, and the affairs of the Boarding School generally, have met twice, and after a very free and full interchange of sentiment in relato the several matters referred to them, have united in reporting to the Yearly Meeting for their adoption, the following propositions, viz:

That the proposal of the School Committee respecting the indebtedness of the School Funds to the fund for the improvement of the real estate, called the farm fund, be approved, and the said indebtedness be discharged.

That the School Committee to be appointed by the Yearly Meeting at this time, be directed to look towards the opening of the School at the commencement of the winter term, and to make arrangements, so far as may be practicable, for such opening.

That Monthly Meetings take care, by committees, that suitable enquiries be made as to the fitness of scholars, proposing to enter the school, belonging to their respective meetings, and to such as said committees shall approve to give certificates, which certificates shall be required by the School Committee in order for admission.

That the charge per term be $40 for members of our Yearly Meeting; $60 when one or both parents are members of this Yearly Meeting, or the children are being brought up as Friends, or are sent at the charge of members of this Yearly Meeting, and also for members of our Society of other Yearly Meetings; and $100 for any others that may be admitted. That $5 per term additional charge continue to be made for instruction. either in the ancient languages, in French or in Drawing. Books and stationery being furnished as last year, at actual cost. It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance, but if in any case this is not practicable, one half to be made at the commencement, and the balance at the middle of the term.

Applications for admission into the School, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund, to be made as directed in the report of last year. Address, Superintendant Friend's Boarding School, Providence, R. I.

By direction of the Committee,
WM. C. TABER, *Clerk.*

NEWPORT, 6th mo. 14, 1855."

which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

From the Minutes of the Meeting.
SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8 Mo 23. 1855

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber Nathan Bowman Longplain Jonathan Cowin and Isaac Hiller who are present.

The friends named last month to distribute the London Epistle and the minutes of our last year's Meeting, report that attention has been given to the appointment.

The following complaint having been
n received from the overseers through New Bedford
llinghast Preparative Meeting against John T Tillinghast, we appoint Philip Anthony and Wm P Howland to visit him on account of his deviation in marriage and report their judgement in the case to a future Meeting.

John T Tillinghast has so far deviated from the order of our society as to marry with one
laint who is not a member.

To the Mo Meeting
New Bedford 8 Mo 15. 1855.

Edmund Gardner }
Wm Gifford } overseers

The friend named last month to inform
D'Wolf Charles D'Wolf of his disownment, reports that he has informed him.

The committee appointed to visit Chas Henry Gifford by the request of Sandwich Mo Meeting on account of his deviation in marriage,
Gifford made the following Report which being considered was
rt united with and the clerk is directed to record the same, and forward it to Sandwich Mo Meeting with a copy of this Minute.

To the Mo Meeting.

Agreeable to our appointment we have had an interview with Ch Henry Gifford upon the subject of the complaint from Sandwich Mo Meeting in his case. While he expressed feelings of regard for Friends, he did not appear to be in a state of mind to make satisfaction for his deviation, and manifested very little desire to retain his right of Membership.

Over

8 M 1855 We therefore submit his case to the Meeting.

New Bedford
6 mo 27. 1855

Wm P Howland
Hy T Wood

att Charles R Tucker clerk.

9 mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 mo 27, 1855

Representatives from New Bedford, Edward W Howland & Gideon Wood — Longplain Peleg Wilbur & Marlborough Bradford two of whom are absent.

The clerk being absent William C Taber is appointed clerk for the day

Tho Jones, visit Our beloved friend Thomas Jones attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from Durham Monthly Meeting expressive o the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements: his company and religious services have been acceptable and satisfactory to us; as has also been the company of our friend Levi Meader who attended this meeting as companion to Thomas Jones with a certificate of concurrence from the same Monthly Meeting. The clerk is directed to furnish our friends with an abstract of this minute as it relates to each.

The queries were read in this meeting with answers from our preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th: a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives — to which service we appoint our friends William P Howland, William Gifford, Richard Davis & Marlborough Bradford.

Committee on Funerals The Committee having the oversight of funerals and care of Burial grounds presented the following report, which was read and accepted and the following friends are continued on the same service for the year ensuing or until another appointment viz: Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Benj^n Wood, Rufus Sherman Charles R Tucker, Wm P Howland, Henry Wood, Wm Gifford Ed. Gardner, Abm Davis, Richard Davis Thomas H Howland Cornelius Macomber, Jos. R Wing Wm R Taber Thomas Wood Gid. Wood Jno Wood E. E. Delano Jonah Holmes Edw^d W Howland & Francis Bowman.

Jos A Gifford A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph A Gifford a minor is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting

9 mo 1855 To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to have the oversight of funerals and the care of burial grounds report

Report that during the past year all funerals held under the care of friends, they believe, have been attended by some of their number — Due care has been extended to the several burial grounds belonging to this Monthly Meeting and no monuments have been erected contrary to discipline during the past year.

On behalf of the committee

New Bedford Wm P. Howland
9 mo 20, 1855 Richard Davis

10 Month At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10 m: 25: 1855

Representatives to this Meeting from New Bedford Rufus Shearman Seth K. Akin — Longplain Jabez Wood and Joseph R Wing who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended.

The committee appointed in the eighth month to visit John T Tillinghast on account of his deviation in

John T Tillinghast marriage, presented the following report and acknowledgement — which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting was accepted, and he is continued in membership with us — Philip Anthony is named to inform him hereof.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned at this time a certificate furnished her in the sixth month

Susan Howland returns certificate to attend Ohio Yearly Meeting and for other religious service as expressed therein — and presented satisfactory returning minutes from Ohio Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, and from New Garden and Salem mo meetings — she also informed the Meeting that she had been enabled to perform the service that she apprehended to be required of her much to the comfort and peace of her own mind. all of which is acceptable to friends.

Agreeable to our appointment we have conferred

Report with John T Tillinghast relative to his marrying contrary to the good order of our society with one not a member. Our interview with him was in a good degree satisfactory, and we think it may be right for friends to retain him as a member which we submit to the meeting

New Bedford Wm P. Howland
10 m 25. 1855 Philip Anthony

10 mo 1855 New Bedford 9 mo 4. 1855

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

Acknowledgt.s I regret that circumstances were such as to cause me to step aside from the order of discipline, and I would like to be continued a member of the Meeting. John T Tellinghast

att Charles R. Tucker Clerk

11 mo 1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 mo 22d 1855

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Henry T Wood, Wm Gifford Longplain Peleg Wilbur and Peter D Slade who are present.

Queries The Queries with Answers to the 1. 2. and 10th from our Preparative Meetings have been read at this time, from which a Summary was approved, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Abm P Barker Gideon Wood Elnathan E Delano, and Richard Davis.

James G Howland We are informed via New Bedford Preparative Meeting that James G Howland has married out of the order of our society with one not in profession with us - Josiah Holmes Jr and Philip Anthony are appointed to visit him on this account and report their judgement in the case at a future Meeting

Complaint James G Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not in profession with us

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting
New Bedford 11 mo 14. 1855

Danl Davis
Edm Gardner } Overseers
Wm Gifford

Com on Elders The committee under appointment upon the subject of Elders presented the following report which being considered was accepted by this and the womens meeting and they are released from Service under the appointment.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee under appointment to consider of and propose the names of

11 Mo 1855 Such Friends as in their judgement were qualified
to fill the Station of Elders, have given attention to
the Subject, and have from time to time presented
Report the names of Friends for that Station, all of which
have been approved by the Monthly Meeting.

Believing that further labour under the appointment
is not at present required of them, the committee
are united in asking that they may be released
from the Service.

On behalf of the committee
11 Mo 16.1855. Daniel Davis
Susan Howland

The friend named last month to inform
J T Tillinghast John T Tillinghast with the conclusion of this
Meeting in his case reports that he has been
informed.

The committee appointed in the 9 mo 1853
to have the care and oversight of removing the
remains of deceased friends and others from
the Old to the new burial ground, informed the
Com to this meeting that all the remains had been
sell old removed from the old ground, and that
Burial said Lot is now in a proper state to be disposed
Ground of - Which being acceptable to friends - the same
committee viz Edmund Gardner, Ed W Howland
Geo Howland jr Henry T Wood and Charles R Tucker
are continued under appointment and are
authorized by this Meeting to make sale of
said ground at such time and on such
terms as in their judgement will be for the
interest of this Meeting - to take charge of the
proceeds arising from the sale thereof, and
reccommend in their report how the amount
thus received should be disposed of in relation
to the expense arising by the purchase of
the new burial ground and incidental
expenses connected therewith

James D Hoxie having removed to reside
James D Hoxie within the limits of Sandwich Mo Monthly, has
request requested a removal certificate for himself
and minor children to that meeting, Henry
T Wood and Rufus Shearman are appointed
to take the necessary care in the case and
report to a future meeting.

att Charles R Tucker Clerk

12 Mo 1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12 Mo 27, 1855.

The representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm Gifford James H Tripp - Longplain Jonathan Cowin and Elnathan E Delano who are present.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they all attended.

David Dudley — Our beloved friend David Dudley attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from Litchfield Mo Meeting expressive of unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements, his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us, as also has been the company and solid deportment of our esteemed friend Joseph Taylor companion to the above named friend who presented a satisfactory minute from Sidney Mo Meeting, and the clerk is directed to furnish them with minutes embracing the substance of this as it relates to each respectively.

Jos Taylor

James D Hoxie & family — A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of James D Hoxie and his minor children Lydia G. Frances N. Mary J. and James D Hoxie Jr, is approved having the concurrence of the womens Meetg.

Rochester Meeting — The committee having the oversight of the Meeting at Rochester, presented the following report, reccommending the continuance of that Meeting, which being considered was accepted, and the following named friends are continued on that Service for the ensuing year, and are requested to report in the 12 Month next.

names of committee,

Abm Davis Rufus Shearman E E Delano Philip Anthony Wm R Taber Tho Wood Danl Davis Wm P Howland Chas R Tucker Richd Davis Wm C Taber Matthew Howland Francis Bowman and Hy T Wood, to unite with a similar committee of women Friends.

12 Mo 1855 We appoint Danl Davis Wm Gifford and Matthew Howland to examine and settle the accounts of the Treasurer of this Meeting, to propose a sum necessary to be raised for the service of this Meetg the ensuing year, and the name of a friend to serve as Treasurer. Also to audit the acct of the several trust funds under the direction of this Meeting, and report next Month.

Auditors

Overseers

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, the friends now under appointment viz Daniel Davis Edmund Gardner William Gifford, John Wood Richard Davis and Joseph Kempton are reappointed Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Report Rochester Committee

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting at Rochester, report that they have been attended occasionally by some of their number to a good degree of satisfaction and on conferring together the committee are united in proposing that it be continued as heretofore held under the care of a committee,

On behalf and by direction of the committee

New Bedford, Wm C Taber
12 Mo 26. 1855. Rhoda Howland

Attest Charles R Tucker, Clerk

1856
1st month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1 Mo 24. 1856

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Samuel W Snow - Longplain Edward G Dillingham and Cornelius Macomber who are present.

The committee appointed last month to audit & settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes, presented the following report which being read and considered was accepted, and in accordance

1 Mo 1856 therewith Henry T Wood is reappointed
Treasurer of this Meeting for the ensuing
year, and Ed S Taber Seth H Akin Marlboro
appointment Bradford Abr Howland and Wm G Wood are
of Treasurer appointed to receive the Subscriptions of friends
to the amount of three hundred dollars the
sum proposed to be raised for the use
of this Meeting, and when accomplished
present the Treasurers receipt for the same.

And the committee now under appointment
viz Joseph Taber George Howland Jr Chas
Committee on R Tucker Wm R Taber and Richard Davis on the
Educational Educational fund left by our late friend
fund Abm Shearman Jr are continued to have
the care of disposing of the income arising
therefrom in accordance with the wish of
the donor.

And the committee under appointment
on the charitable fund left by the dear
com on friend above named, viz Wm C Taber Henry
Charitable T Wood. Wm Gifford Ed W Howland and George
fund Howland Jr are continued to have the care
of disposing of the income arising from
the same in connection with a similar
committee appointed by the Womens Meeting.

The committee in the 11 month to visit
James G Howland on account of his deviation
Com in marriage, presented the following
jas G Howland report and acknowledgement, which being
considered were accepted and he is continued
a member of our religious society, the
womens Meeting having concurred herein,
and Philip Anthony is named to inform
him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

According to appointment we have visited
James G Howland on account of his having
Report married contrary to the order of our discipline
with one not in membership with us, he
was aware of his deviation but seemed
very desireous that Friends would pass
it by and retain him a member; in
which we think him sincere and are
united in beleiving that it will be safe

1Mo 1856 to continue him a member which we submit
to the Meeting.
Philip Anthony
Josiah Holmes Jr
New Bedford
1Mo 24. 1856.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting of Friends
I am aware that I have violated one of
cknowledgts the rules of this Society in marrying one not in membership with you. If friends are willing to overlook this deviation I should like to be retained a member of your religious Society.
New Bedford
James G Howland
1Mo 24. 1856

To the Monthly Meeting
The committee appointed last month to examine and Settle the Treasurers account, Report, that they have attended thereto and find it correct, Showing a balance in his hands of One hundred twenty three 70/100 dolls
Autors Report They would reccommend that the Sum of three hundred dollars be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and propose that Henry T Wood be reappointed Treasurer.–
The accounts of the Trustees to the Estate of John West have also been examined, they have received for dividends on Bank Stock, Interest on Beriah Austins note and Rents from the Real Estate. Four hundred twenty One 67/100 dollars, and have paid out 38 donations amounting to two hundred and twenty five dollars, leaving a balance in their hands of Two hundred twenty One 72/100 dollars– The income from said estate has been large the past year having recently received One hundred and fifty dollars in Settlement of back Rents.
We have also audited the account of the committee having charge of the Educational Fund and find they have received the past year ninety Six dollars being dividends on Twelve Shares of Merchants Bank Stock– paid one childs Schooling at Friends Boarding School Providence for the term of Six Months and the Schooling of Eight children at the

1 Mo 1856 Preparative Meeting School from six to twelve weeks leaving a balance on hand of Forty four 89/100 dollars.

The committee in whose hands are placed the income arising from the charitable fund have received during the year one hundred & twenty dollars being dividends on fifteen Shares of Bank Stock, and have assisted Seventeen persons to the amount of eighty seven dollars, leaving a balance in their hands of fifty four dollars which is correct.

In conclusion we would express the belief that the Friends having charge of the respective funds belonging to this Meeting are faithful to the trust imposed upon them, and that the distribution of the proceeds is in strict accordance with the intentions of the donors.

New Bedford
1 Mo 18. 1856

Daniel Davis
Wm Gifford
Matthew Howland

Att Charles R Tucker Clerk

2 Mo 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2 Mo 28. 1856.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Gideon Wood Joseph S Tillinghast Longplain Richard Davis and Jonathan Cowin who are present.

J S Howland The friend named last month to inform James S Howland with the conclusion of this Meeting, reports that he has informed him.

committee on collections The committee appointed last month to receive the Subscriptions of friends for the use of this Meeting presented the Treasurers Receipt for three hundred dollars the amount proposed to be raised.

Geo Hussey The committee under appointment in the case of George Hussey, presented a report which is refered for further consideration to our next Monthly Meeting.

2 M° 1856 We unite with the womens Meeting in accepting
Susan H Collridge a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly
Meeting on behalf of Susan H Collridge.

We also unite with the same Meeting in disowning
Mary H Gardner Mary H Gardner as a member of our religious Society,
she having united herself with another Religious
denomination.

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk.

3 M° 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3 m: 27. 1856

The Representatives named to attend this
Meeting are, from New Bedford Francis Bowman
Wm P Howland Longplain Peleg Wilbur and Jos R Wing
who are present.

The time for which the clerks of this Meeting
were appointed having expired, the representatives
proposed the names of Charles R Tucker for clerk
Clerks appointed and Matthew Howland for assistant clerk. which
being united with by the Meeting, they are appointed
to fill those stations for the year ensuing
or till another appointment.

The Queries with answers from our Preparative
Queries Meetings were read, from which a summary was
approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing
Quarterly Meeting by George Howland Jr. Jos Taber
Jos Kempton and Wm R Taber who are appointed
Representatives from this Meeting.

Stock. Our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock
has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

The time having expired for which the
Recorders of this Meeting were appointed
Recorders Matthew Howland is appointed Recorder and
Wm R Taber and Richard Davis assistant Recorders
of this Meeting for the ensuing year or
till another appointment.

The report from the committee in the case
of Geo Hussey received from our last Meeting
Geo Hussey being brought under consideration, it was the
judgement of the Meeting that the case be
continued under the care of a Committee,
and the friends now under appointment
being released at their own request - we
appoint Wm P Howland and Philip Anthony
to extend such labor and advice, as way may

3 Mo 1856 open for in the Spirit of love, and report their judgement in the case at a future Meeting

"Report"

To the Mo Meeting

The committee under appointment to treat with George Hussey upon the subject of complaint against him in 1847. have from time to time had interviews with him upon the subject, While we are still unable to report that the cause of complaint has been removed, owing we think to circumstances by which he is surrounded, we beleive his attachments to society are still strong, and in our interviews with him of late he has disapproved of the course he had persued, and expressed regret that he had been cause of uneasiness to friends.

Which we submit to the judgement of the Meeting.

New Bedford
2 Mo 27. 1856

Edmund Gardner
Daniel Davis
Chas R Tucker
Henry T Wood

Rhoda Kelley Rec: This meeting unites with the women in receiving Rhoda Kelley wife of Cyrenius Kelley into membership with us.

Susan Howlands Minute to Great Britain

Our beloved friend Susan Howland a minister in unity and good esteem with us, in a weighty manner informed this Meeting that she had felt a burthen resting on her Spirit for a long time, beleiving it required of her in gospel love to perform further religious service among friends in Great Britain & Ireland and also if way should open for it to visit some of those professing with us on the continent of Europe - visiting Meetings families and individuals as best wisdom may direct.

Which concern claiming the solid consideration of this Meeting was fully and feelingly united with, and she encouraged to follow the pointings of duty under the guidence of the Great Head of the Church. In liberating our dear friend for this weighty and important religious service, we would commend her to the care of the unslumbering Shepherd of

3 Mo 1856 Israel, and to the kind consideration of those among whom her lot may be cast, with desires that when her labours of love may be accomplished she may be favored to return to her family and friends, with the reward of peace.

Attest Charles R. Tucker Clerk

Wm C Taber is appointed to unite with the clerk in preparing a suitable certificate expressing the substance of the above minute, and at a future meeting an opportunity be given for our members to sign said certificate,

4 Mo 1856 At New-Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 mo. 24. 1856.

Representatives to this Meeting from New Bedford are George Howland Jun., Gideon Wood — Long Plain, Peleg T. Slade and Albert Wood who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended

Overseers of the Poor — The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired, the Friends now under appointment viz Edmund Gardner, Philip Anthony, Wm Gifford, Geo. Howland jr, Wm R. Taber, John Wood, Richard Davis and Seth K. Akin are continued in that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment

Removal certificate for Mary H Delano and Eliza H Delano — We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of New York on behalf of Mary H. Delano (wife of John A. Delano) and their adopted daughter Eliza H. Delano.

Susan G Allen disowned — We also unite with the Women's Meeting in disowning Susan G. Allen (late Gardner) on account of her deviation in marrying out of the order of our Religious Society.

Attest, Matthew Howland }
Assistant Clerk }

5 Mo 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5 Mo 22d 1856

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Samuel W Snow Nathan Bowman Longplain Jos R. Wing and Marlboro Bradford who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

Sylvia K Snow — We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a report and acknowledgement in the case of Sylvia K Snow "late Howland" she having married out of the order of our society with one not in membership with us.

5 Mo 1856

Certificate for S M Seabury

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Susan M Seabury wife of Humphrey W Seabury.

att Charles R Tucker Clerk

6 Mo 1856

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 Mo 26. 1856

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Seth R Aikin George Kempton, Longplain Richard Davis and Jonathan Cowin who are present.

visits of Ann Kenworthy & James Jones

Our beloved friends Ann Kenworthy from White Water Monthly Meeting Indiana and James Jones from China Monthly Meetg Maine, attended this Meeting and presented satisfactory minutes from their respective Monthly and Quarterly Meetings, their company and religious labours have been acceptable to us.

As also have been the company and solid deportment of William Kenworthy who accompanies his wife on her present religious engagements, and Joseph Taber from Unity Mo Meeting companion to James Jones, they produced satisfactory minutes from their respective Monthly Meetings, The clerk was directed to furnish them with copies of this minute as it relates to each respectively.

Queries

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2d and 10th, from which a summary has been adopted and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives Ed G Dillingham Elnathan E Delano Francis Bowman & Wm P Howland.

6 Mo 1856 Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon an Elder in good esteem with us, informed this Meeting that she felt a willingness to accompany her Sister Susan Howland on her proposed religious visit, to Great Britain & Ireland and if way should open for it, to some parts of the Continent of Europe. After a time of solid deliberation, much sympathy was expressed and her prospect fully united with and she was encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct.

Lydia Congdon Minute

And the clerk is directed to furnish her with a minute embracing the substance of the above.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

7 Mo 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7 Mo 24. 1856

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Gideon Wood Alex Hillman. Longplain Albert Wood and Peleg Wilbur, who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was rendered.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report they all attended.

Extracts from Yr Meety

Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting embracing the Report of the Boarding School Committee, and an Article of discipline in relation to making additions to the Meeting of Ministers and Elders, with additional advice in regard to answering the Queries, were received and read at this time and are satisfactory to this Meeting.

com on admission to B. School

We appoint Henry T Wood Matthew Howland Jabez Wood & Richd Davis to make suitable enquiry respecting the fitness of Schollars that propose entering the School, and that certificates be granted to those that the committee may approve, which will be required by the Boarding School committee in order for admission, and friends who propose placing their children at the School are advised to make early application to the committee. They are also directed to present the name of any child

7 mo 1856 to the School committee they may think entitled to the benefit of the charitable fund of that Institution.

Susan Howland's Certificate

In the 3d Month last Wm C Taber was appointed to unite with the clerk to prepare a suitable certificate for our beloved friend Susan Howland and present it to a future Meeting, which was now brought forward and read, bearing the signatures of the clerks, and it was then signed by a large number of friends in and on behalf of this Meeting.

Qr. Mtg. Stock

The following Minute was received from the Quarterly Meeting respecting Stock for that Meeting, and our Treas is directed to pay our proportion to the Treasurer of that Meeting when the state of the Treasury will admit.

At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting 7 mo 3. 1856 It was concluded to raise four hundred dollars for the service of the Meeting the ensuing year, and our several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportions of that sum to our Treasurer. New Bedford Monthly Meetings proportion is two hundred dollars.

From the minutes

To N Bedford Mo Meeting. Wm C Taber clerk

Ezra Gifford

Wm P Howland was appointed in the 5th mo 1853, to inform Ezra Gifford with the conclusion of this Meeting in his case, he now reports the service has been performed, he having recently returned from sea.

London Epistle

Minutes yrly Mtg.

The usual number of copies of the London printed Epistle for 1855. and the printed minutes of our last yearly Meeting were recd at this time, Wm G Wood. Edw P Taber Jabez Wood and Cornl Macomber & Marlboro Bradford were appointed to distribute them among our members. One of the Epistles was read in this Meeting to our edification.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

HAVING CHARGE OF THE

BOARDING SCHOOL

AT PROVIDENCE,

6 mo., 1875,

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee having charge of the Boarding School at Providence report:—That they have given attention to their appointment, and feel authorized to state that it has fully maintained the high standing it has held for several years past. Its educational character, evinced by the large class prepared to graduate at the close of the present term, was never better. The conduct of the pupils has been generally satisfactory, and the moral and religious feeling, that has in good degree pervaded the school, has been gratifying to the Committee. The standard of Scholarship is thought to be much in advance of former years.

In his last Report to the Committee our Principal states, that "we have had during the past year an unusually large number of advanced pupils, interested in their studies, who have given tone and character to the school. The hearty co-operation of these older pupils in the discipline of the school has, I believe, rendered the past year a pleasant and profitable one to all concerned."

SCHOOL FUND.

1875, 5th mo 17, Balance on hand last year		281.84
Income from the fund		6953.20
Return on Fire Insurance		286.09
		$7521.13
Paid Fire Insurance Premium	525.00	
" A. K. Smiley for use of school	6887.52	
Balance on hand	108.61	7521.13

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1875, 5 mo 17, Balance on hand last year		1034.97
Income from the Fund		2425.35
		$3460.32
Paid Yearly Meeting bills for board and tuition	2550 00	
Balance on hand	910.32	3460.32

There will probably be available for the next school year twenty-four hundred dollars.

The expenses of the school for the year ending 6 mo. 1875, as near as can now be ascertained, are as follows;

Paid for salaries	14,883.84
" " wages (not including farm labor, which is charged in the item "Provisions," all the products of the Farm being applied to the use of the School)	5067.25
" " Provisions	18,005.36
" " Fuel and lighting	3593.99
" " Annual repairs	6164.22
" " Incidental expenses	735.53
Total	$48,450.19

The average cost of each pupil for board and tuition for the year, from above data, is $241.05.

The income for board and tuition was	45,576.51
" " from School Fund	6887.52
Total receipts	52,464.03

Cost of maintaining the School as above	48,450.19
Showing the approximate earnings to be	$4,013.84

The Officers and Teachers of the School the past year have been

Albert K. Smiley, (who has been assisted during a part of the time, by his brother Alfred H. Smiley,) Principal.

John F. Rowell, Governor and Teacher of English Branches, Autumn Term.

Daniel C. Maxfield, Governor and Teacher of English Branches Spring Term.

Thomas J. Battey, Teacher of Natural Sciences.

Daniel C. Maxfield, Teacher of Mathematics, Autumn Term.

Alonzo Williams, Teacher of Greek, Latin and German.

John M. Potter, Teacher of Mathematics, Spring Term.

Job S. Gidley, Teacher of Grammar and Arithmetic.

Chas. H. Gates, Teacher of French.

Alex. Grant, Teacher of Drawing.

FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

Rebecca H. Smiley, Principal of Female Department.

Alice R. Wing, Governess and Teacher of Grammar and Rhetoric

Bessie T. Wing, Teacher of History and Literature.

Martha G. Reed, Teacher of Mathematics.

Eliz. G. Willis, and Mary Amy Collins, Teachers of English Branches.

Susan S. Moore, Teacher of English Branches, Autumn Term.

LECTURERS.

J. Lewis Diman, Lecturer on History.

John H. Appleton, Lecturer on Chemistry and General Science.

John W. P. Jenks, Lecturer on Natural History.

The health of the inmates of the School has been generally good, although there have been a few cases of severe illness during the year.

Three cases of scarlet fever and two of typhoid fever occurred in the Fall term. Four of these recovered, the other, John E. Howard, son of Samuel Howard, of Newport, R. I., died 11th mo. 10th, 1874, aged sixteen, of a constitutional disorder, aggravated probably by the previous disease.

The Sub-Committees, appointed for the more immediate care of the school and family have, at different times, presented satisfactory reports of the recitations witnessed by them, and of the harmony and good feeling prevailing among the members of the household.

The number of pupils in attendance during the Autumn term, was two hundred thirty-seven, viz: one hundred forty-three boys and ninety-four girls;—Spring term, two hundred sixteen, viz: one hundred twenty-six boys and ninety girls. Of this number seventy attending the Autumn term and sixty-five the Spring term, were members of our own Yearly Meeting, and twenty-four in the Autumn term and twenty-five in the Spring term belong to other Yearly Meetings of Friends, making ninety-four pupils in the Autumn term, and ninety in the Spring term, members of our religious society who have been in attendance of the school the current year.

We now present a summary of payments for the year ending 6 mo. 1874, as reported by the auditing committee, and the net earnings of the school for the same time;

Payments on account of permanent improvements to 6 mo. 26, 1874, including part payment for carriage house,	$4766.67
Paid Geo. Howland, Jr., Treas. Yearly Meeting on acct. of interest,	600.00
	$5,366.67
Net earnings year ending 6 mo. 1874,	$4606.12
Paid over income	$760.55
Since our last Yearly Meeting a carriage and store house adjoining the barn, with a basement for roots and vegetables, has been completed, at a cost of	$3898.17
The steam boiler has been removed from the kitchen and placed in a building outside, cost	1375.69
A substantial board fence eight feet high has been carried around the school premises embraced by Lloyd, Hope, Thayer and Olney streets and Arlington av-	

our religious society, or for scholars sent at the expense of such,	190.00 " "
For all others who may be admitted	300.00 " "

An additional charge of ten dollars to be made for one year's instruction in Greek, Latin, French, German, or Drawing;—One half payable at the commencement of the year and one half at the opening after recess.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee,

WM .C. TABER, Clerk.

Providence, 6 mo. 1, 1875.

NOTE—The Autumn term begins, 9mo 1, '75 & closes 1 mo 19, '76.
" Winter recess " 1 19, '76 " 2 2, '76.
" Spring term " 2 2, '76 " 6 21, '76.

Applications for admission to the School should be made seasonably for the meeting of the Committee on the 3rd of 8th month next. Those who are members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others to that date, after which applications will be acted upon in the order in which they are received. Those who desire the benefit of the charitable funds, or of the Ebenezer Metcalf donation, should apply at the time specified. In all cases information is expected of the age, moral habits, and literary attainments of the applicant.

All applications should be made to the Principal. Address, Albert K. Smiley, Principal Friend's Boarding School, Providence, R. I.

About six weeks after the opening of the Spring term, four scholars were at one time taken sick with scarlet fever, which then prevailed to a great extent in the city of Providence, one of whom P. Edward Moore, aged sixteen, son of Prince G. Moore of West Falmouth, Mass., died on the 22d of third month, after an illness of less than two days. This young man bore an estimable character in the school, and his sudden death made a deep impression on the family. Another, B. Herbert Gifford, aged seventeen, son of James E. Gifford of West Falmouth, Mass., died after a lingering illness of five weeks, fourth month 28th, 1875, a short time after his return home.

On the occasion here referred to some fears were entertained that a general spread of the disease among the children might be anticipated, but by carefully isolating those who were first taken, and permitting some who desired it to return to their homes, the sickness, through the blessing of a kind overruling Providence, did not spread. It speaks well for the healthfulness of the locality, and for the arrangements made, and appliances provided to promote the health and comfort of the pupils and teachers, that so general a condition of health has prevailed.

Meetings for religious worship continue to be held at the School, on First days at 11 o'clock, A. M., and on Fourth days at the same hour. These meetings, particularly on First days, have been usually attended by one or more members of the Committee, and frequently by ministering friends who have found it in the line of their duty to visit the children in the love of the dear Saviour, and they have been interesting and satisfactory. We would encourage friends to embrace these opportunities to meet with the pupils and their teachers, believing that they would be much benefitted by the interest thus manifested in their religious welfare.

First day afternoons are occupied with Scripture lessons, by the whole school, as heretofore.

It is proposed that the present charges for board and tuition be continued, viz;—

For members of our Yearly Meeting,	100.00, per annum.
For members of other Yearly Meetings, or where one or both parents are members of	

enue, the whole length of which is 5984 feet, cost	4579.22
438 yards concrete walks have been laid, costing	219.00
Whole amount of outlay	$10,072.08

The indebtedness of the school 6 mo. 1, 1875, is as follows, subject to correction, when the yearly accounts are made up and the amount of profits definitely ascertained;

Outlay for improvements as above,		$10,072.08
Less paid and entered in last year's account,		924.00
		9148.08
Paid Geo. Howland, Jr., Treas. Yearly Meeting on account of Interest,		1000.00
" Interest on money hired to meet payments		462.58
" Balance over income 1873—74		760.55
		11,371.21
Less estimated profits of the school 1874----5		4013.84
		7357.37
Due on notes of the Treas. Yearly Mtg.	15,061.89	
" for interest accrued	490.70	15,552.59
Making an amount of indebtedness of		22,909.96

When the last annual report was presented to the Yearly Meeting, it was confidently expected, that the land taken for streets adjoining the school premises by the City of Providence would have been paid for, during the past Summer, thereby enabling the committee to pay the obligations already incurred, as well as the improvements then had in view, and also for fencing the land, rendered necessary by the new streets then opened, but, on account of some informality in the action of the city government, the payment has not been made, although the committee have endeavored to press our claims. The sum claimed from the city will more than pay all indebtedness.

From a statement received from the Treasurer of the School Funds, the receipts and payments on account of the School and Charitable Funds, including the Ebenezer Metcalf and other donations, are as follows;

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		$7521.13
Paid Fire Insurance Premium	525.00	
" A. K. Smiley for use of school	6887.52	
Balance on hand	108.61	7521.13

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1875, 5 mo 17, Balance on hand last year		1034.97
Income from the Fund		2425.35
		$3460.32
Paid Yearly Meeting bills for board and tuition	2550 00	
Balance on hand	910.32	3460.32

There will probably be available for the next school year twenty-four hundred dollars.

The expenses of the school for the year ending 6 mo. 1875, as near as can now be ascertained, are as follows;

Paid for salaries	14,883.84
" " wages (not including farm labor, which is charged in the item "Provisions," all the products of the Farm being applied to the use of the School)	5067.25
" " Provisions	18,005.36
" " Fuel and lighting	3593.99
" " Annual repairs	6164.22
" " Incidental expenses	735.53
Total	$48,450.19

The average cost of each pupil for board and tuition for the year, from above data, is $241.05.

The income for board and tuition was	45,576.51
" " from School Fund	6887.52
Total receipts	52,464.03

Cost of maintaining the School as above	48,450.19
Showing the approximate earnings to be	$4,013.84

The Officers and Teachers of the School the past year have been

Albert K. Smiley, (who has been assisted during a part of the time, by his brother Alfred H. Smiley,) Principal.
John F. Rowell, Governor and Teacher of English Branches, Autumn Term.
Daniel C. Maxfield, Governor and Teacher of English Branches Spring Term.
Thomas J. Battey, Teacher of Natural Sciences.
Daniel C. Maxfield, Teacher of Mathematics, Autumn Term.
Alonzo Williams, Teacher of Greek, Latin and German.
John M. Potter, Teacher of Mathematics, Spring Term.
Job S. Gidley, Teacher of Grammar and Arithmetic.
Chas. H. Gates, Teacher of French.
Alex. Grant, Teacher of Drawing.

FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

Rebecca H. Smiley, Principal of Female Department.
Alice R. Wing, Governess and Teacher of Grammar and Rhetoric
Bessie T. Wing, Teacher of History and Literature.
Martha G. Reed, Teacher of Mathematics.
Eliz. G. Willis, and Mary Amy Collins, Teachers of English Branches.
Susan S. Moore, Teacher of English Branches, Autumn Term.

LECTURERS.

J. Lewis Diman, Lecturer on History.
John H. Appleton, Lecturer on Chemistry and General Science.
John W. P. Jenks, Lecturer on Natural History.

The health of the inmates of the School has been generally good, although there have been a few cases of severe illness during the year.

Three cases of scarlet fever and two of typhoid fever occurred in the Fall term. Four of these recovered, the other, John E. Howard, son of Samuel Howard, of Newport, R. I., died 11th mo. 10th, 1874, aged sixteen, of a constitutional disorder, aggravated probably by the previous disease.

The Sub-Committees, appointed for the more immediate care of the school and family have, at different times, presented satisfactory reports of the recitations witnessed by them, and of the harmony and good feeling prevailing among the members of the household.

The number of pupils in attendance during the Autumn term, was two hundred thirty-seven, viz: one hundred forty-three boys and ninety-four girls;—Spring term, two hundred sixteen, viz: one hundred twenty-six boys and ninety girls. Of this number seventy attending the Autumn term and sixty-five the Spring term, were members of our own Yearly Meeting, and twenty-four in the Autumn term and twenty-five in the Spring term belong to other Yearly Meetings of Friends, making ninety-four pupils in the Autumn term, and ninety in the Spring term, members of our religious society who have been in attendance of the school the current year.

We now present a summary of payments for the year ending 6 mo. 1874, as reported by the auditing committee, and the net earnings of the school for the same time;

Payments on account of permanent improvements to 6 mo. 26, 1874, including part payment for carriage house,	$4766.67
Paid Geo. Howland, Jr., Treas. Yearly Meeting on acct. of interest,	600.00
	$5,366.67
Net earnings year ending 6 mo. 1874,	$4606.12
Paid over income	$760.55
Since our last Yearly Meeting a carriage and store house adjoining the barn, with a basement for roots and vegetables, has been completed, at a cost of	$3898.17
The steam boiler has been removed from the kitchen and placed in a building outside, cost	1375.69
A substantial board fence eight feet high has been carried around the school premises embraced by Lloyd, Hope, Thayer and Olney streets and Arlington av-	

our religious society, or for scholars sent at the expense of such,	190.00	"	"
For all others who may be admitted	300.00	"	"

An additional charge of ten dollars to be made for one year's instruction in Greek, Latin, French, German, or Drawing;—One half payable at the commencement of the year and one half at the opening after recess.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee,

WM .C. TABER, Clerk.

Providence, 6 mo. 1, 1875.

NOTE—The Autumn term	begins,	9mo	1, '75	& closes	1 mo	19, '76.
" Winter recess	"	1	19, '76	"	2	2, '76.
" Spring term	"	2	2, '76	"	6	21, '76.

Applications for admission to the School should be made seasonably for the meeting of the Committee on the 3rd of 8th month next. Those who are members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others to that date, after which applications will be acted upon in the order in which they are received. Those who desire the benefit of the charitable funds, or of the Ebenezer Metcalf donation, should apply at the time specified. In all cases information is expected of the age, moral habits, and literary attainments of the applicant.

All applications should be made to the Principal. Address, Albert K. Smiley, Principal Friend's Boarding School, Providence, R. I.

About six weeks after the opening of the Spring term, four scholars were at one time taken sick with scarlet fever, which then prevailed to a great extent in the city of Providence, one of whom P. Edward Moore, aged sixteen, son of Prince G. Moore of West Falmouth, Mass., died on the 22d of third month, after an illness of less than two days. This young man bore an estimable character in the school, and his sudden death made a deep impression on the family. Another, B. Herbert Gifford, aged seventeen, son of James E. Gifford of West Falmouth, Mass., died after a lingering illness of five weeks, fourth month 28th, 1875, a short time after his return home.

On the occasion here referred to some fears were entertained that a general spread of the disease among the children might be anticipated, but by carefully isolating those who were first taken, and permitting some who desired it to return to their homes, the sickness, through the blessing of a kind overruling Providence, did not spread. It speaks well for the healthfulness of the locality, and for the arrangements made, and appliances provided to promote the health and comfort of the pupils and teachers, that so general a condition of health has prevailed.

Meetings for religious worship continue to be held at the School, on First days at 11 o'clock, A. M., and on Fourth days at the same hour. These meetings, particularly on First days, have been usually attended by one or more members of the Committee, and frequently by ministering friends who have found it in the line of their duty to visit the children in the love of the dear Saviour, and they have been interesting and satisfactory. We would encourage friends to embrace these opportunities to meet with the pupils and their teachers, believing that they would be much benefitted by the interest thus manifested in their religious welfare.

First day afternoons are occupied with Scripture lessons, by the whole school, as heretofore.

It is proposed that the present charges for board and tuition be continued, viz;—

For members of our Yearly Meeting, .	100.00, per annum.
For members of other Yearly Meetings, or where one or both parents are members of	

enue, the whole length of which is 5984 feet, cost		4579.22
438 yards concrete walks have been laid, costing		219.00
Whole amount of outlay		$10,072.08

The indebtedness of the school 6 mo. 1, 1875, is as follows, subject to correction, when the yearly accounts are made up and the amount of profits definitely ascertained;

Outlay for improvements as above,		$10,072.08
Less paid and entered in last year's account,		924.00
		9148.08
Paid Geo. Howland, Jr., Treas. Yearly Meeting on account of Interest,		1000.00
" Interest on money hired to meet payments		462.58
" Balance over income 1873—74		760.55
		11,371.21
Less estimated profits of the school 1874—5		4013.84
		7357.37
Due on notes of the Treas. Yearly Mtg.	15,061.89	
" for interest accrued	490.70	15,552.59
Making an amount of indebtedness of		22,909.96

When the last annual report was presented to the Yearly Meeting, it was confidently expected, that the land taken for streets adjoining the school premises by the City of Providence would have been paid for, during the past Summer, thereby enabling the committee to pay the obligations already incurred, as well as the improvements then had in view, and also for fencing the land, rendered necessary by the new streets then opened, but, on account of some informality in the action of the city government, the payment has not been made, although the committee have endeavored to press our claims. The sum claimed from the city will more than pay all indebtedness.

From a statement received from the Treasurer of the School Funds, the receipts and payments on account of the School and Charitable Funds, including the Ebenezer Metcalf and other donations, are as follows;

Yearly Meeting, 1856.

The Boarding School Committee presented their annual report, which is satisfactory to this meeting, and the Friends now under appointment, are continued for another year to unite with a similar Committee of the women's meeting, in the care and superintendence of the School—and they are requested to report to this meeting next year.

The Report is as follows, viz:

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee for the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, have given attention to the objects of their appointment and now report—

That the school being vacated at the time of our last Yearly Meeting, the Committee were desired, as by minute of the Yearly Meeting, " to look towards the opening of the School at the commencement of the winter term, and to make arrangements, so far as may be practicable for such opening."

In pursuance of this conclusion, the Committee proceeded to consider what arrangements would best promote its objects, and on mature deliberation came to the following results, viz : That it is desirable and expedient in the proposed opening of the school, to provide—That the teaching in the schools shall be provided for by contract at a fixed rate to be hereafter agreed upon, the same to be made satisfactory to the Committee. That it is also further desirable and expedient, that the board of the scholars, should be provided for by contract, at a fixed price, under such regulations as may be established by the Committee, including all the domestic arrangements of the family.

The Committee were enabled to carry out these conclusions, substantially, by a contract entered into with Joseph Cartland. who, with his wife Gertrude W. Cartland, entered into an engagement to become the Principals and Superintendents of the School, to furnish the necessary assistant Teachers and the board of the scholars, and to conduct the school in a manner that shall be satisfactory to the Committee, both as to Teachers that are employed by them, and in all other respects, and to pay all expenses that accrue from thus conducting the School.

For the purpose of carrying out this contract it was agreed that they should have the use of the School premises, and that as compensation for the service required by the contract, they should receive the moneys paid for board and tuition of the scholars, have the use and improvement of the farm, and that they should further receive from the income of the School Fund, the sum of three thousand dollars per annum, to be paid them semi-annually, one-half at the close of each term.

Under this arrangement, the School was opened for the winter term on Fourth Day, 31st of 10th month last, and one hundred and fifty-seven pupils were then and subsequently admitted, and attended the school for the whole or part of the term; of whom eighty-three were males and seventy-four were females.

The assistant Teachers employed were Timothy B. Hussey, Charles W. Earle, Elizabeth S. Jones, Anna McKeel, Parmelia C. Varney and Sarah E. Whittier, in the English branches; Joseph W. Congdon, Teacher of Greek, Latin, Natural Philosophy and Chemistry; Catharine E. Haase, Teacher of French, German, and Needle Work, and Marianna Stanton, Teacher of Drawing.

The various branches taught in the School, are indicated by the above list of Teachers, and they embrace such as are believed to be most useful in fitting the pupils for the varied duties of life.

The Committee have exercised a constant supervision over the Institution in its various departments during the year, and since the opening of the School, have held meetings monthly, with the exception of one month, having sub-committees, appointed at each meeting for its more immediate care.

It is a source of much satisfaction to believe, that the Institution has been conducted in a manner to promote the objects of its establishment—that good order and harmony have generally prevailed, and that the progress of the scholars in their various studies has been satisfactory. Care has been taken to promote a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and of our religious principles.

Meetings for worship on First Day mornings, have been held in the school house as heretofore—the scholars at other times attending the meeting of Friends, in Providence. In these meetings the conduct of the scholars has been becoming, and many of them have been seasons of much interest.

The examination at the close of the term, was attended by many of the members of the School Committee, by members of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Education and other Friends. The exercises of the scholars gave evidence of attention and diligence on their part, and of faithfulness on the part of the Principals and assistant Teachers. There was evidence that much care had been extended to promote the objects of the Institution, in imparting a guarded education, and instilling into the minds of the children, the principles of morality and virtue. The close of the examination, furnished an interesting opportunity with the schools, which was marked by much solemnity, and we trust may be remembered by them in after time.

The health of the scholars has generally been preserved. One death has taken place. George M. Underhill, of New York, a young Friend, who for several terms had been at the school, and who had, by his orderly and exemplary deportment, endeared himself to the officers of the Institution, died very suddenly of malignant sore throat. On this occasion, a religious meeting was held at the school, which was a solemn and favored season. After which the remains were conveyed to his friends.

The following minute was made by the Committee in reference to this event: "This renewed evidence of the uncertainty of time, has clothed our minds with feelings of deep solemnity and awakened increased desires that we may all give diligent heed to the injunction of our blessed Lord and Savior, 'Therefore be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the son of man cometh.'"

The accounts of the Institution have been examined and audited. Those relating to the Charitable Fund, stand as follows, viz:

Receipts for the year, - - -	$455 00
Payments, for board and tuition of eight scholars,	320 00
" for due Treasurer from this fund last year, - - - - -	8 75
Cash in Treasurer's hands at the close of the last term, applicable to the coming term, - - - -	126 25
	$455 00

The accounts relating to the general fund stand as follows, viz:

Receipts, from income of School Fund, -	$6,454 84
" from sundry small debts collected,	146 10
	$6,600 94
Payments, (exclusive of those provided to be paid by the Principals):	
By Treasurer to C. W. Earle, while the school was vacated, for his services and for sundry expenditures on the farm, &c.*	$875 94
Insurance, $165. Interest, $228 46. -	393 46
Repairs, furniture, &c. - -	1,485 55
To Joseph Cartland on contract, -	1,500 00
	$4,254 95
Which deducted from the receipts leaves an excess of - - -	$2,345 99

This sum has been applied towards the payment of the debts of the Institution.

These debts as reported last year were	$8,276 96
Of which there was due from the Charitable Fund, since paid from that fund	8 75
Leaving the debt against the general fund,	8,268 21
From which deduct the above excess of receipts over expenditures the past year,	2,345 99
Leaves the present debt against the general fund - - - -	$5,922 22

Under our present arrangements, it will be seen, that provision is made for the gradual payment of the debts of the Institution.

The attention of the Committee has been directed to the subject of a course of study, for such as wish the full benefit of a systematic education, to be continued through a period of four years. This course is not intended to interfere in any degree with the instruction as heretofore given in the school, but to be applicable only to those who may wish to pursue it, and in this view, it has met with the approbation of the Committee.

We would propose that the charge per term of twenty-two weeks, for board and tuition be $40, for members of our Yearly Meeting;—$60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our Religious Society, or are sent at the charge of members of our Religious Society;—and $100 for any others who may be admitted. That $5 per term additional charge continue to be made, for instruction either in the ancient languages, in French, or in Drawing;—Books and Stationery being furnished as heretofore at actual cost.

For certain regulations as heretofore agreed upon by the Yearly Meeting, respecting the times of payment, manner and times of the admission of scholars, &c., we refer to the accompanying circular, issued by the Committee in the seventh month last.

We commend the Institution to the continued interest and care of Friends.

Signed on behalf of the Committee—

STEPHEN A. CHASE, *Clerk*."

Regulations referred to in the above report of the School Committee.

"As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the school, in order that th[illegible] how many others, if any, may be receiv[illegible]

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the Committee at their Meetings to be held on Third Day, before the first Fifth Day in the 3d and 9th months—as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At this Meeting applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable Fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the Meeting of the Committee in the 9th month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. And friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for admission of scholars into the school.

It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance, but if in any case this is not practicable, one-half to be made at the commencement, and the balance at the middle of the term.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege unless again admitted by the Committee; and in all cases of children being admitted for the term, and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising to the Institution.

Application for admission into the school, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund are to be made to the Principals.

Address Joseph Cartland,
Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, R. I.

In answering the Queries, our subordinate meetings are desired carefully to regard the advice heretofore given to be full and explicit, and the Quarterly Meetings are requested in their annual answers for this Meeting to embrace not only the information received from the Monthly Meetings at the Quarter preceding the Yearly Meeting, but also a definite statement as to the maintenance of our meetings during the year, and that they take care to preserve the answers received at the three previous Quarters, for this purpose.

The Quarterly Meetings are requested annually to communicate to this Meeting the names of all Ministers and Elders who have deceased during the year, with the time of their decease, and ages, as far as practicable. The clerk is directed to furnish a copy of this minute to subordinate meetings.

The following proposition from the Meeting for Sufferings, in relation to the manner of making additions to our Meetings of Ministers and Elders was weightily considered by this Meeting, and united with, and adopted as the discipline of our Meeting in this respect, (the women's meeting uniting therein,) viz:—

"In the appointment of Elders, the following order is to be observed:—

As these are officers of the Church at large, let the Monthly Meeting, after they have approved such as they adjudge duly anointed and qualified for that service, (the name or names having been introduced either through the preparative meeting of ministers and elders, or by a Committee appointed by the Monthly Meeting for that purpose) acquaint the Quarterly Meeting therewith, who, after solidly waiting for their concurring unity, and finding nothing to hinder, are to minute the same, and acquaint the select meeting thereof; who are also to enter the appointment on their minutes, and the friends so appointed may then sit in any of our meetings of ministers and elders. Information of such appointment is to be given by the Quarterly Meeting to the Yearly Meeting, and by the Yearly Meeting, through its Clerk, to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, and their names entered on the respective Records of those meetings.

The following order is to be observed in acknowledging the gift, and approving the public appearances of any Friend in the Ministry.

Where any Friend appears in public ministry whose conversation shall be clean and blameless, and the preparative meeting for ministers and elders, within the limits of which he or she belongs, is convinced that the Lord hath called th[illegible] to that weighty work, it is then to lay the same befor[illegible] Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, for its co[illegible]ation, and when said Quarterly Meeting shall [illegible] therein, without any record being ma[illegible] said preparative meeting may lay [illegible] Monthly Meeting, which, after weightil[illegible] mind of truth therein, and being [illegible] approving him or her as a Minister in the Chur[illegible] shall be recorded and sent forward in like [illegible] the case of Elders.

Fri[illegible] advised in these proceedings to be weighty [illegible] spirits and careful in their conversation, that no harm come to any from a disclosure before the time of what may be under the consideration of Friends; that all may be kept in the love and unity of the Gospel.

From the Minutes of the Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk*.

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* As an offset to this expenditure, it may be stated, that of the produce of the farm the past year, there remained on hand, when the school was opened last fall, sundry articles, valued at $1,233 39, which were taken by the Principal to be used in the Institution and for which he is to account.

°1856 Jabez Wood informed this Meeting that he felt a willingness to accompany our friend Lemuel Gifford on his proposed religious visit to friends of Smithfield, Salem and Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings, which was fully united with and he was liberated to proceed therein, being a member well esteemed by us. The clerk is directed to furnish him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

attest Charles R Tucker clerk

°1856 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 8 Mo 28. 1856.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Sherman, Francis Bowman - Longplain Joseph Kempton and Peter D Slade who are present.

The friends named last month to distribute the London Epistles and printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting. Report that they have attended to the appointment.

The committee appointed in the third month last in the case of Geo Hussey presented the following report, which being read and considered, was accepted, and we now disown him as a member of our religious Society, it being the sense of this Meeting that our discipline and the Spirit thereof requires us to adopt that course, having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting herein, and Wm P Howland is named to inform him thereof.

Report

The Committee in the case of Geo Hussey report, that they have given attention to the subject of their appointment. In an interview with him he expressed that his sympathies

over

8 Mo 1856 and feelings were with friends, And yet he differs from our discipline as it relates to Music - he thinks it has been an advantage to his family, and consequently is not disposed to remove the cause of complaint, and would not feel at all aggrieved at any action the Mo Meeting may conclude upon, in his case.

We believe that further service from us in the case would not be availing and therefore now submit it to the Monthly Meeting.

New Bedford 8 Mo 27. 1856 Wm P Howland
Philip Anthony

Attest to the record
Chas R Tucker Clerk.

9 mo 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 Mo 25. 1856

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from Newbedford Henry T Wood, Wm Gifford - Longplain Jos R Wing and Jona Cowin who are present except one.

Queries The Queries with answers to the 1. 2. and 10th were read at this time, from which a summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting. We have appointed our friends Daniel Davis Joseph Davis Henry T Wood and Wm R Taber to attend as our Representatives.

G Hussey jr Having received the following complaint ~~complaint~~ from the Overseers through Newbedford Preparative Meeting against George Hussey jr for marrying out of the order of our Society, we appoint Gideon Wood and Wm C Taber to visit him on account of his deviation and report their judgement in the case to a future Meeting.

9 mo 1856 And also for the same complaint against Joseph Tillinghast we appoint Henry T Wood and Wm P Howland to visit him on that account and report their judgement in the case to this Mo Meeting.

Joseph Tillinghast

Complaint

We have to inform the Meeting that George Hussey Jr and Jos Tillinghast have married out of the order of our religious Society with persons, who are not in membership with us.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting
9 m 18. 1856.

Daniel Davis
Wm Gifford
Ed Gardner } Overseers.

Com on Funerals

The committee appointed in the ninth Month last year to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following "Report" which was acceptable to the Meeting, and the friends now under appointment viz Joseph Taber Geo Howland 2d. Benj Swift Rufus Shearman Chas R Tucker Wm P Howland. Henry T Wood Wm Gifford Ed Gardner Abm Davis Richd Davis Th H Howland Corns Macomber Jos R Wing Wm R Taber Th Wood Gid Wood John Wood E E Delano J Holmes Jr E W Howland & Frs Bowman, are continued on that service for the ensuing year, and are desired to report in the 9th mo next.

Report

"Report" The committee appointed to have the care of Funerals and burial grounds report" that some of our number have attended all funerals held under the care of friends since our appointment, and our discipline relative to monuments, has we beleive been complied with during the past year.

To the Mo Meeting
New Bedford
9 m 1856. on behalf of the committee
Wm P Howland
Jos R Wing

7 mo 1856 Jabez Wood returned to this Meeting
a Minute furnished him in the 7th
J Wood month to accompany Seml Gifford on a
Returns Religious visit as expressed therein - and
Minute produced returning minutes from Salem
Quarterly Meeting, and from Seabrook &
Weare Mo Meetings which are satisfactory
to friends.

Our esteemed friend Henry
T Wood informed this Meeting that he had
a prospect of accompanying our friend Seml
H T Wood Gifford on a Religious visit to friends and
minute others in Newyork yearly Meeting as expressed
in a certificate granted him by Sandwich
Mo meeting, which being considered was
fully united with and he was encouraged
to proceed therein, being a member in
unity with us.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

10 Mo 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting
held 10 Mo 23. 1856.

The Representatives appointed
to attend this Meeting, are from New-
Bedford Jos Taber, Seth K Aikin, Longplain
John Wood and Corns Macomber, who
are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meetg
report they all attended.

The committee appointed
Arthur in the 3 Month 1855 to visit
T Arthur T Wilbur on acct of his
Wilbur deviation in marriage presented
a report the consideration of it is
refered to a future Meeting; the
case remaining in the hands of
the committee.

Our beloved friend Sybil Jones
attended this Meeting, and presented
a certificate from China Mo Meeting
S Jones, expressive of unity with her as a
visit Minister, and with her present
religious engagements, her company
and gospel labors have been
acceptable to this Meeting. The clerk

10 Mo. 1856 was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens Meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the Substance of the above.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

11 Mo. 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 Mo. 27. 1856

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Alex Hillman James M Tripp, Longplain Richard Davis and Edw G Dillingham who are present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2. & 10th. from which a Summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Nathan Bowman Gideon Wood John Wood and Ed Gardner.

G Hussey Jr disowned. The committee appointed in the 9th month to visit George Hussey Jr on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following "Report" which being read and considered was accepted, and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our Religious Society, and Wm C Taber is appointed to inform him with the conclusion of this meeting.

"Report" To the Mo. Meeting

In accordance with our appointment we have had an interview with George Hussey Jr - He expressed a regard for Friends and thought he should attend our meetings occasionally - perhaps as often as any Other, but while his sympathies were somewhat with Friends he had not unity with them in some respects, and did not think he could be a consistant member of our Society - Believing that further labor in the case from us will not be useful we submit it to the Meeting.

Gideon Wood
New Bedford 11 Mo. 14. 1856. Wm C Taber

11 Mo 1856

Henry T Wood returns minute

Our esteemed friend Henry T Wood returned to this Meeting a minute granted him in the ninth Month to accompany our friend Lemuel Gifford on a religious visit as expressed therein. he presented a returning minute from Cornwall Qr Meeting, and also informed friends that they attended Westbury Qr Meetings and most of the Meetings within those Quarters - which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

Charles R Tucker, Clerk

12 Mo 1856

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12 Mo 25. 1856.

The Representatives appointed to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Seth K Akin Saml W Snow. Longplain Jabez Wood and Peter D Slade who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting report they attended.

Rochester committee

The committee having the care of the Meeting at Rochester made the following Report" which being considered was united with by this and the womens Meeting, and in accordance with said report the committee are released from further care under the appointment - the Meeting to be continued as heretofore held.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report

The committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester, Report that the Meetings have been attended by members of the committee from time to time as way has opened for it to a good degree of Satisfaction, although occasionally they have found them small. Upon conferring together they were united in the view that the time had come when the services of this committee might be dispensed with, and they would therefore propose to the meeting that the appointment be discontinued.

on behalf of the committee Wm C Taber
12 Mo 1856. Rhoda Howland

12 Mo 1856
Anna R Taber Recd

This Meeting unites with the Women in receiving Anna R Taber into membership with us.

Jos Tillinghast Restored.

The committee appointed in the 9th month to visit Joseph Tillinghast on account of his deviation in marriage, presented the following Report and acknowledgement which being considered was united with, the Womens Meeting concurring herein, and he is continued in membership with us. Henry T Wood is appointed to inform him hereof.

"Report"

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Persuant to our appointment we have had an interview with Joseph Tillinghast upon the subject of the complaint in his case. He seemed quite desireous of retaining his right of membership, and appeared to realize to some extent the advantages and ~~privileges~~ responsibilities which attach to a member of our Religious Society. We beleive that Society may be useful to him and that it may be safe to continue him a member, which we submit to the Meeting, together with the accompanying paper.

New Bedford
12 Mo 24. 1856

Henry T Wood
Wm P Howland

Boston 12 Mo 10. 1856

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

Having violated the discipline of the Society in marrying contrarary thereto, I am yet desireous that Friends may pass it by and still continue me under their care.

Your friend
Joseph Tillinghast

Auditors

We appoint Matthew Howland, Abm Barker and Daniel Davis to examine and settle the accounts of the Treasurer of this Meeting - propose a sum necessary to be raised for the service of the Meeting the year ensuing and, the

12m 1856 name of a friend for Treasurer. Also to
audit the accounts of the several Trust
Auditors funds under the care of this Meeting
with those who have charge of the same,
and report nexth month.

The time for which the Overseers of
this Meeting were appointed having ex
Overseers -pired - the friends now under appointed
appt. viz" Daniel Davis Edmund Gardner Wm Gifford
John Wood, Richard Davis and Jas Kempton
are reappointed Overseers of this Meeting
for the ensuing year or untill another
appointment.

atts Charles R Tucker clerk

1m 1857 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 1m 22d 1857
The Representatives appointed to this
meeting are from New Bedford Rufus Shearman
Daniel Davis- Longplain Peleg Wilbur and Elnathan
E Delano who are present.

The committee appointed last month to audit
Treasurer the accounts of the Treasurer of this Meeting and
appointed for Other purposes, made the following report
which being considered was accepted, and in
accordance therewith Henry T Wood is appointed
Treasurer of this meeting for the year ensuing
or till another appointment.

Seth R Akin Wm G Wood Ed S Taber Albert
com Wood John Wood and Peter D Slade are appointed
on
collecting to receive the Subscription of friends for $250. dolls
the sum proposed to be raised for the Service of this
meeting, and when completed pay said amo to the
Treasurer and present his receipt for the same.

The committee now under appointment "viz"
Joseph Taber Geo Howland jr Ch R Tucker Wm R Taber
Educational and Richd Davis, upon the Educational fund of
Fund our late dear friend Abm Shearman Jr, are continued
in charge of the income arising therefrom for the
ensuing year or till another appointment.

The Committee now under appointment "viz"
Charitable Wm C Taber Hy T Wood Wm Gifford Ed W Howland and
fund Geo Howland jr upon the charitable fund of our late
dear friend A. S. Jr are continued on that service

1 Month 1857. to unite with a similar committee of Women Friends for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

The following complaint from the overseers having been rec^d through Longplain Preparative Meeting Ch A Howland against Chas A Howland for his deviation in marriage, we appoint Wm R Taber and Jabez Wood to visit him on that acct, and report their judgement in the case to a future meeting.

The Trustees of the Estate of John West presented the following Report, which being read was satisfactory to this meeting, and the Clerk was directed to place the same upon our Records.

"Report"

To the Monthly Meeting

The Trustees of the Estate of John West "Since their report to the Monthly Meeting in the 2^d month 1854" Have in accordance with the authority granted them by the Supreme Report Court of this State, sold the farm situated on Sconticutt Neck to Beriah Austin for $3,800 dolls, and that upon West's Island to Squire G Crapo for $2,000 dolls, and a piece of Swamp Land to Geo & Allen Russell for $400. dolls. The proceeds of said property are invested as follows — twenty one shares of Merchants

Bank Stock which cost	$ 2,277.50
Seventeen Shares Marine Bank do	1,792.80
Beriah Austins note secured by mortgage	1,000.–
Squire G Crapos " " "	1,000.–
Cash on hand not yet invested	129.70
	$ 6,200,00

There now remains about three acres of pasture land on Sconticut Neck to be sold as soon as an opportunity offers. The Trustees feel well assured that the course they have pursued has been judicious in promoting the Object of the benevolent Donor, as the income arising from said estate has been very much increased, for the particulars of which we refer to the report of the Auditors appointed by the Mo Meeting last Month.

New Bedford 1 M: 21. 1857
Chas R Tucker }
Edw W Howland } Trustees
Geo Howland Jr }

1 Month 1857. The friend named in the eleventh month to inform Geo Hussey Jr of the conclusion of this Meetg
Geo Hussey Jr in his case reports that he has informed him.

Also the friend named in the twelfth month to
Jos Tillinghast convey the same information to Joseph Tillinghast reports that he has attended to the appointment.

To the Monthly Meeting
This may inform that Ch A Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one not a member.
Longplain 1 Mo 14. 1857.
Joseph Kempton
Richard Davis } Overseers.

The committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers acct and audit the several Trust funds belonging to this Meeting Report that they have given attention to their appointment, and find the Treasurers account correct, showing a
Auditors Report balance in his hands of twenty and 81/100 dollars, we would recommend that the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and propose the name of Henry T Wood for Treasurer.

Upon examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the fund from John Wests estate we learn that they have assisted during the year fifty four persons to the amount of three hundred forty three & 55/100 dollars, leaving a balance now in their hands of one hundred sixteen 48/100 dollars yet to be distributed, during the inclemencies of this season among the industrious Poor in accordance with the intent of the donor.

The accts of the com having charge of the Educational fund were also examined and found correct, they have paid the schooling of two children at Friends Boarding at Providence for one term each, leaving a balance in their hands of fifty three & 34/100 dolls.

We have also audited the accts of the committee having charge of the

1 Mo 1857 charitable fund which appears correct and by which we ascertain they have assisted during the past year twenty different persons to the amo of one hundred & forty dollars and have a balance in their hands of twenty four dollars.

In conclusion the com take pleasure in saying that they believe the friends having charge of the different funds herein named are faithful to the trust imposed upon them and are desirous of distributing the proceeds from these funds in strict accordance with the wishes of the donors.

New Bedford 1 Mo 20. 1857 Matthew Howland
Abm Barker
Daniel Davis

2 Mo 1857 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2 Mo 26. 1857.

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are, from New Bedford James M. Tripp Alex Hillman, Longplain Ed G Dillingham and Albert Wood who are present.

Robt. H. Taber The following complaint against Robert H Taber was received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting. We appoint Henry T Wood and Abm Barker to visit him on acct of the subjects contained in the complaint and report their judgment in the case to a future Meeting.

Complaint We hereby, inform that Robert H Taber has for a considerable time neglected the attendance of our religious meetings; and that he has recently married out of the order of our Society.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting
2 Mo 25. 1857.

Daniel Davis
Wm Gifford } Overseers.

2^d Mo 1857. Dear Friends

In my youth I was a member of your religious Society by birth, and some acquainted with your religious principles which seem to accord best with my own views of christianity. It has been on my mind for some time to request you to receive me into your religious Society as a member,

E Kelley Request

To New Bedford Preparative Meeting of Friends 2 Mo 14. 1857.

Ezra Kelley.

P.S. I was a member of Dartmouth Mo Meeting when disowned.

E. K.

Ezra Kelley having made a written request to be received a member of our religious Society, Joseph Davis and Wm C Taber are appointed to visit him on that account and report their judgement in the case to this Meeting.

Att Charles R Tucker clerk

3 Mo 1857 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 Mo 26th 1857

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Jos Taber Ed W Howland - Longplain Jonth Cowin and Elnathan E Delano who are present except one.

The time for which the clerks of this Meeting ^were appointed having expired, Joseph Taber on behalf of the Representative proposed the names of Chas R Tucker for Clerk, and Matthew Howland for assistant clerk, which being united with by the meetings, they are appointed to fill those Stations for the year ensuing or untill another appointment, 3 Mo 1857 The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings have been read at this time, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Joseph Taber Daniel Davis and Elnathan E Leland.

Susan & Eleanor Rodman — Susan Rodman and Eleanor Rodman having withdrawn from us and united themselves with another Religious denomination, we concur with the women in disowning them as members of our Religious Society.

Wm Greggs Request. — William Gregg having made the following written communication through New Bedford Preparative Meeting to be received into membership we appoint Daniel Davis and Gideon Wood to visit him on that acct and report their judgement to a future meeting.

Request — To the Mo Meeting of Friends of New Bedford 16th of 3o Mo 1857

Having of late felt a weighty concern to be united as a Member with the Society of Friends, and believing myself to be rightly directed herein, I avail myself of this opportunity to make the application for admission in accordance with the Rules of the Society.

William Gregg

Robt H Taber. disowned — The committee appointed last month to visit Robert H Taber on acct of the complaint made in his case, presented the following report which being considered was accepted, and with the concurrence of the women we disown him as a Member of our religious Society, and Abml Barker is appointed to inform him hereof.

Stock — Our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting.

3d Mo 1857 "Report"

To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have had an interview with Robt H Taber, He informed us that while he expected occasionally to attend our Religious Meetings he was fully Satisfied with the course he had taken
Report in uniting himself with those who have withdrawn from religious fellowship with us, and that he was not desireous of retaining his right of Membership.

Believing that further attention to the case on our part will not be useful we submit it to the Meeting

New Bedford
3 Mo 24. 1857.

Abm I Barker
Henry T Wood

The committee appointed in the
Treasurers 1st month to receive the subscriptions of
Receipt. friends for the Service of this Meeting presented the Treasurers Receipt for $250.- dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

The committee appointed last month to visit Ezra Kelley on acct of his request to be received into Membership made the
Com in following Report, which being acceptable
E case Kelly to this Meeting, the Clerk was directed to inform Dartmouth Mo meeting that we we about to receive him as a Member of our Religious Society provided they have no objection ~~to our~~ he having been a Member of that Mo Meeting and was by them disowned, and report to this meeting next month.

The time for which the Recorders of this Meeting were appointed having
Recorders expired Matthew Howland is appointed Recorder and Richd Davis and Albert Wood assistant Recorders of this Meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Atts Charles R Tucker Clerk

3 Mo 1857 To the Mo Meeting

In compliance with our appointment we have had an interview with Ezra Kelley which was in a good degree satisfactory and Report E Kelley we are united in the belief that it will be safe to receive him into membership with us.

Joseph Davis
Wm C Taber

New Bedford
3 Mo 17. 1857.

4 Mo 1857 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 Mo 23. 1857.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Daniel Davis, Samuel M Tripp, Longplain Joseph R King and John K Davis Jr who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting report they all attended.

Robt H Taber The Friend named last Month to inform Robt H Taber of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case reports that he has informed him.

The following communication was received from Dartmouth Mo Meeting giving their consent for Ezra Kelley to E Kelley rec. be received into membership with us. And with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting he is now received as a member of our religious Society and Wm C Taber is appointed to inform him hereof.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting of Friends,

Dear Friends

We recd your letter of last Mo informing that you were united in receiving Ezra Kelley into membership if there was no objection on our part. which claiming the consideration of this Meeting his restoration was united with; and you are at liberty to proceed in the case as shall seem best.

our

4 Mo 1857 Signed by direction of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4 Mo 22. 1857.

George Almy clerk

Overseers of Poor The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired, the friends now under appointment viz. Edm Gardner Philip Anthony Wm Gifford Geo Howland jr Wm H Taber John Wood Richd Davis and Seth R. Akin are appointed to that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

atts Charles R Tucker clerk

5 Mo 1857 At NewBedford Monthly Meeting held 5 Mo 28. 1857.

The Representatives named to attend this meeting are, from NewBedford Henry F Wood Rufus Shearman, Longstreth Ed W Dillingham and Peter S Slade who are present.

E Kelley The friend appointed to inform Ezra Kelley that he had been received as a member of this Meeting, reports that he has informed him.

Wm Gregg The committee appointed in the third month to visit William Gregg on account of his request to be recd into membership, made the following report, which being read and considered was accepted with the concurrence of the women, and he is received into membership with us. Gideon Wood is appointed to inform him hereof.

Report. We have had an interview with William Gregg on account of his request to be admitted into membership with us to good satisfaction, Beleiving him to be sincere in his request we think it may be well to grant it.

To NewBedford Mo Meeting Daniel Davis

NewBedford 5 Mo 28. 1857 Gideon Wood

5 Mo 1857 A removal certificate on behalf of John Russell from Swansey Monthly
John Russell Meeting, was received and accepted
certificate with the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

attest C R. Tucker clerk

6 Mo 1857 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 Mo. 25. 1857.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Seth K Akin, Benj F Howland - Longplain Cornd Macomber and Wm Bradford who are present.

The queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2. & 10 th were
Queries read, from which a summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Rufus Shearman Elnathan E Delano Matthew Howland and Richd Davis.

The following complaint was received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting against William Dewolf and James K Almy for marrying out of the order of our Religious Society.

We appoint Wm F Wood and Seth
Wm Dewolf K Akin to treat with Wm Dewolf on account of his deviation, and report their judgement in the case at a future Meeting.

We also appoint Joseph Taber and Rufus Shearman to visit James K
Jas K Almy on acct of the complaint
Almy in his case and report their judgement to a future Meeting.

We are informed that Wm Dewolf
Complaint has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not in Member-ship with us.

Also that James K Almy has married

6 Mo 1857 out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting
New Bedford
6 mo 10. 1857.
Danl Davis
Wm Gifford

D Shove & wife — A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of David Shove and his wife Mary Shove, was received and accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Wm Legg — The friend named last Month to inform Wm Legg that he had been received into membership with us, reports that he has informed him.

Priscilla Greene & Mary Nicholson, visit — Our beloved friends Priscilla Greene of Thaxted Monthly Meeting, and Essex Quarterly Meeting, and Mary Nicholson of Pardshaw Monthly Meeting, and the Quarterly Meeting of Cumberland and Northumberland, England — attended this Meeting and presented satisfactory certificates from said meetings respectively and also from the morning meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London. Their company and religious services have been very acceptable to this Meety.

Barnd Delano — The committee in the case of Barnabas Delano, appointed in the 7 Mo 1847, presented the following minute from Bloomington Monthly Meeting Iowa, and, stated that they had written him ~~but had~~ without receiving any reply — the case is continued in the care of the committee - viz Wm C Taber & Josiah Holmes Jr.

Minute — Bloomington Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6 mo 6. 1857.

Those appointed to treat with Barnd Delano on the request from New Bedford Monthly Meeting — inform they have paid attention thereto, but from the

6 mo 1857 best information they could obtain believed he had removed entirely beyond the limits of this meeting.

The clerk was directed to furnish New Bedford Mo Meeting with a copy of the minute.

Taken from the minutes of the aforesaid meeting.

Brinton Darlington Correspondent. Brinton Darlington Clerk

Hannah T Taber approved We unite with the womens Meeting in approving of the Public appearances in the Ministry of Hannah T Taber.

The clerk is directed to forward the above to the Quarterly Meeting for its approval.

att. Charles R Tucker Clerk

7 mo 1856 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7 Mo 23d 1857.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Hy T Wood, George Hempton, Longplain Albert Wood and Richd Davis who are present except one.

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting report they all attended except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

Extracts from Yr Mtg. Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee, with a copy of regulations to be observed by those who apply for admission into the School, and also a minute in relation to making additions to our Meetings of Ministers and Elders, have been read and are satisfactory to this Meeting.

Committee Providence School We appoint Hy T Wood, Matthew Howland Jabez Wood and Richd Davis to make suitable enquiries respecting the fitness of schollars that propose entering the school, and that certificates be granted to such as they approve, which certificates will be

7 Mo 1857 required by the Boarding School committee in order for admission - and friends who propose placing their children at the school are advised to make early application to the committee - they are also advised to present the name of any child to the school committee who they may think entitled to the benefit of the charitable fund of that Institution.

Committee to distribute Epistles We have received at this time 210 copies of the London general epistle for 1856 and 190 copies of the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, and appoint Wm C Wood, George Kempton Jabez Wood Richd Davis John Wood and Josiah Holmes Jr to distribute the same among our members and report next Month.

J K Almy Retained The committee appointed last month to visit James K Almy on account of his deviation in marriage, presented the following report and communication, which being read and considered were accepted with the concurrence of the women, and he is retained a member of our religious society, and Rufus Sherman is named to inform him of this conclusion.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Report Agreeable to appointment we have visited James K Almy on acct of his deviation in marriage, he appeared sensible of having departed from the good order of our discipline, and manifested a desire to retain his right of membership - and we are united in the belief that it will be safe to accept his acknowledgement and continue him a member.

New Bedford
7 mo 23. 1857.

Rufus Sherman
Joseph Taber

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Acknlgt of Friends -

Having so far deviated from the rules of discipline as to marry

YEARLY MEETING, 1857.

The Boarding School Committee presented their Annual Report, which is satisfactory to this Meeting, and the friends now under appointment, are continued for the ensuing year, to act in our behalf, in conjunction with a Committee of the women's meeting, in the government and superintendence of the Institution, and they are requested to report to this Meeting, next year. The Report is as follows:

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING,

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, have attended to their appointment and report as follows:

The School has been continued during the two terms of the past year. For the Summer term forty-nine males and sixty three females, and for the Winter term eighty-seven males and seventy-five females were admitted as scholars, and attended the school, nearly all of them for the full terms.

The arrangement with Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland as Principals, mentioned in the report of the School Committee last year, has been continued during the year now closed, and under it we believe the various interests of the school have been satisfactorily conducted.

Meetings of the Committee have been held monthly at the School, and members deputed to visit the Institution and inspect its management in the intervals, and we believe that the character of the school has been satisfactory to Friends as it has been encouraging to us.

The assistant teachers employed, have been John F. Rowell, William P. Macomber, Pamelia C. Varney, Elizabeth Arnold, and Anna Mekeel, in the common English branches; Franklin E. Paige in Mathematics; Joseph W. Congdon teacher of Greek and Latin; Alphonse Renaut teacher of French and German; Marianna Stanton and Mary E. Potter, at different times teachers of Drawing; and instruction has been given in needle-work by Gertrude W. Cartland, assisted by other teachers.

The usual branches of an English education have been taught, and instruction in the languages given, and the Committee have arranged for a course of study for such as wish the full benefit of a systematic education, as suggested in the report last year. Care has been continued to promote the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, and of the principles of our religious society.

Meetings for worship on First Day mornings, have been continued in the school house as usual—the scholars at other times attending Friends Meetings in Providence. At most of the meetings held at the Institution, members of the Committee, or other concerned Friends have been in attendance, and they have been held to good satisfaction.

The examinations at the close of each term, have been attended by members of the School Committee, and of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Education, and other Friends, and they have been occasions of much interest.

The health of the scholars has generally been good, and becoming order and harmony have been well maintained both in the school and family.

The accounts of the Institution have been examined, and the result may be stated as follows:

CHARITABLE FUND.

In Treasurer's hands last year,	$126 25
Receipts for the year,	448 75
	$575 00
Payments for the board and tuition of twelve scholars, one term each,	480 00
In hands of Treasurer at this time,	95 00
	$575 00

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts from income of School Fund,	$6,636 06
" " old account of Manufacturers Bank,	66 74
	$6,702 80

Payments, (exclusive of those provided to be paid by the Principal)

Fire insurance,	$165 00
Repairs of school premises,	1,084 63
To Joseph Cartland on contract,	3,000 00
	$4,249 63
Which deducted from the receipts leaves an excess of,	2,453 17

Of which excess $682 08 is in the Treasurer's hands, and the balance has been applied to the payment of interest and principal of the debts of the Institution—

Leaving the present debt, less the balance in the Treasurer's hands,	$3,817 92
This debt as reported last year was,	5,922 22

It will be seen therefore that the principal of the debt has been lessened the past year, $2,104 30.

This result encourages the expectation that the school may be maintained usefully and the debt before long discharged.

We would propose, that the Summer term should commence as at present on Fourth Day before first Fifth Day in the fifth month, and continue twenty-one weeks; and that the Winter term should also commence as at present, on Fourth Day before the first Fifth Day in the eleventh month, and continue twenty weeks; and that there should be no intermission of these terms by any recess during their continuance, and that the charge for board and tuition be the same as last year, viz, $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or the scholars are sent at the charge of such members; and $100 for any others who may be admitted. That $5 per term additional charge continue to be made for instruction, either in the Ancient Languages, in French, or in Drawing, books and stationery being furnished as heretofore at actual cost.

We refer again to certain regulations, as heretofore agreed upon by the Yearly Meeting, respecting the times of payment, manner and times for the admission of scholars, &c., which accompanied the report of the School Committee last year; and we regret to find that these regulations, as respects the terms of payment and punctuality in attendance at the commencement of the terms of the school, are not so carefully observed as is desirable.

In conclusion, we may express our belief, that the Institution continues to be useful in promoting the objects of Friends in its establishment.

Providence, sixth month, 2d, 1857.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,
STEPHEN A. CHASE, *Clerk.*"

Regulations referred to in the above report of the School Committee.

"As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the school, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received.

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the Committee at their Meetings to be held on Third Day, before the first Fifth Day in the 3d and 9th months—as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At this Meeting applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable Fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the Meeting of the Committee in the ninth month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. And friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for admission of scholars into the school.

It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance, but if in any case this is not practicable, one half to be made at the commencement, and the balance at the middle of the term.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified, shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege unless again admitted by the Committee; and in all cases of children being admitted for the term, and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising to the Institution.

Application for admission into the school, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund is to be made to the Principals.

Address JOSEPH CARTLAND,
Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, R. I."

On reading the Records of this Meeting for last year, our attention was turned to a portion of the discipline adopted last year as to the manner of making additions to our meetings of Ministers and Elders, and it was agreed as the understanding and decision of this Meeting, that after such appointment by a Monthly Meeting has been confirmed by the Quarterly Meeting, that such friend, whether Minister or Elder, may then sit in all our select Meetings, without waiting for the information to have been first communicated to those meetings, by the Quarterly Meeting—and the Clerk is directed to transmit this Minute to our subordinate meetings.

From the Minutes of the Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

857 one not in membership with Friends, I wish they may so far pass it by that I may remain a member.

James Keene Almy.

Being informed that Francis Bowman
owman requests a removal certificate for himself,
nts & wife and two minor children to Scipio
cate Mo. Meeting Rufus Shearman and Gideon Wood are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future Meeting.

don The London general Epistle for 1856,
stle has been read in this Meeting to our Edification,

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

onth At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8 Mo 27. 1857.

The Representatives named to attend this meeting are, from New-Bedford Geo Howland Jr and Jos: Taber. Longplain Corn^s Macomber and Jabez Wood who are present.

The committee appointed last month to distribute the London Epistle and printed minutes from our last Yearly Meeting, report the service has been performed.

Atts Charles R. Tucker
Clerk

onth At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 Mo 24. 1857.

The Representatives appointed to attend this are from New Bedford. Gideon Wood James M Tripp. Longplain Joseph Kempton and David Shove who are present,

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2. & 10th. from which a Summary was

9 mo 1857 approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, and we appoint Wm R Taber Wm P Howland Jos R Wing and Wm C Taber Representatives to said Meeting.

F Bowmans Removal — A removal certificate to Scipio Mo Meeting on behalf of Francis Bowman his wife Elizabeth and two minor children viz Daniel W. and Sarah Ann. is approved with the concurrence of the womens Meetg.

Com on Burial Grounds &c. — The committee having the care of burial grounds and the oversight at funerals, made the following report which was approved by the Meeting, and we appoint Wm P Howland Chas R Tucker Geo Howland Jr Hy T Wood Danl Davis Jos Taber Edm Gardner Gidn Wood Jos T Tillinghast, Richd Davis Jos R Wing Peter D Slade Taber Wood John Wood Ed G Dillingham Wm C Taber Jas Hempton Elnathan E Delano Jona Cowing J Holmes Jr. on that Service for the ensuing year, and they are desired to report in the Ninth Month next.

Report.

To the Mo Meetg

The committee appointed to take the oversight of funerals and the care of Burial grounds Report,

Report — That some of our number have attended all funerals held under the care of Friends within our limits during the past year. Some care has also been extended to the burial grounds belonging to Friends. In the erection of grave stones, care has generally been taken to keep within the requirements of our discipline, except two instances at Acushnet, where stones have lately been placed by persons not members of our Society, exceeding the prescribed limits. these cases are under notice.

9 m 21. 1857 On behalf of the committee,
Hy T Wood. Wm P. Howland

9th mo 1857 We are informed by Sandwich Qr
Meetg that our proportion of Quarterly
Qr Metg Meetg Stock is two hundred dollars,
stock and our Treasurer is directed to pay
that Sum when in funds to the
Treasurer of that Meetg.

The friend named in the 7th mo
J K Almy to inform James K Almy of ~~with~~ the
conclusion of this Meeting in his
case reports he has informed him.

# Charles R Tucker Clerk

10th mo 1857 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held
10th Mo 22d 1857.
The Representatives named
to attend this meeting are from
New Bedford Joseph Taber Wm Gifford.
Longplain Peter D Slade & John Wood.
who are present.

The Representatives to the
(175) Quarterly Meeting report they attended.
Being informed that 600 copies of
address the address issued by London Yearly
for Meeting, addressed to all those who
London bear the name of Friends, we appoint
Yr Metg Geo. Howland Jr Wm Wood Jos R Wing John
Wood Jr Albert Wood Wm P. Howland Richd
Davis and Josiah Holmes Jr to distribute
the same among those for whom it
is intended as way may open for it.

We are informed that James Almy
James requests a removal Certificate to Dartm
Almy Mo Meeting. We appoint William Gifford
and Danl Davis to take the necessary
care in the case and report at a
future Meeting.

Our beloved friend Rachel S.
Rachel Howland a Minister in unity with
S. us, informed this Meeting that she
Howland had long felt a concern to visit
the Normal Schools, State reform and

10 M 1857 Industrial schools, and one or more of the Prisons in this State, which was fully united with by this meeting and she is liberated and encouraged to free from what she apprehends to be required of her. The clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

11 M 1857 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 mo 26. 1857.

The representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Henry T Wood Nathan Bowman, Longplain Jos Kempton And Jonathan Cowin, who are present.

Jos H Pratt Our beloved friend Joseph H Pratt attended this Meeting, and presented a satisfactory certificate Unity Monthly Meeting expressing its unity with him as a minister, and with his present religious engagements, his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Martha H Pratt Martha H Pratt who accompanies her husband Jos H Pratt in his present religious engagements, attended this Meeting with a minute from the same Monthly Meeting, stating she was an Elder well esteemed by them, her company has been acceptable to friends.

The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing them with copies embracing the substance of the above minutes as they relate to each respectively.

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 and 10th. from which a summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Rich Davis Henry T Wood Daniel Davis and William Gifford.

11 mo 1857. The following complaint from the overseers
was received through New Bedford Preparative
Meeting against Daniel Knowles for neglecting
Danl the attendance of our religious Meetings, we
Knowles appoint Wm Barker and Chas R. Tucker to
visit him on ~~account~~ that account, and report
their judgement in the case at a future Meetg;

Complaint

We think it our duty to inform that
Daniel Knowles has for a long time neglected
Complaint the attendence of our religious Meetings, and
gives no encouragement of attending them
in future,

To New Bedford Edmund Gardner
Mo Meetg 11 mo 18. 1857 Danl Davis
Wm Gifford Overseers

The following complaint from the Overseers
was recd through the same Preparative Meeting
Edw S. Taber against Edw S. Taber for marrying out of the
complaint order of our religious society. We appoint Rufus
Freeman Joseph Davis and Wm P. Howland to
visit him on that account, and report their
judgement in the case to a future Meeting.

We have to inform that Edward S. Taber
has married out of the order of our Society
with one who is not a Member.

To New Bedford Edmund Gardner
Mo Meetg 11 mo 18. 1857 Daniel Davis
Wm Gifford Overseers

Our beloved friend Rachael S. Howland a
minister in unity with us, in a weighty manner
R. S. Howland informed this Meeting that she had for several
minute years felt drawn to hold public meetings in
Friends Meeting House in Boston on one, two
or More first days, and to hold one or
more Meetings at some other place in that
City. and after a time of solid deliberation
her prospect was fully united with, and she
was encouraged to proceed therein as best
wisdom may direct.

The clerk was directed to unite with the
Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing
her with a minute embracing the above.

11 Mo 1857 The committee named last month to distribute the address issued by London Yearly Meeting report they have attended to the appointment.

att Charles R. Tucker Clerk

12 Mo 1857 At New Bedford, Mo. Meeting held 12 Mo 24. 1857

The Representatives to this Meetg are from New Bedford Wm Gifford Seth R Akin - Longplain Cornl Macomber and Arnold G Tripp, who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meetg report they all attended.

Auditors We appoint Abm Barker Jos Taber and Daniel Davis to examine and settle the Treasurers accts - propose a sum to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year and the name of a friend for Treas, And also to audit the several Trust funds held under the direction of this Meeting, and report next month.

Jas Alm & Family remove A removal certificate on behalf of James Alm and his wife Ruth with their two minor children viz, Jacob and Sophia, to Dartmouth Mo Meeting is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Overseers The time for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, the friends now under appointment viz. Daniel Davis Edmund Gardner Wm Gifford John Hood Richd Davis and Joseph Kempton are reappointed Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Abigail Wing We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate on behalf of Abigail Wing from Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

Att. Charles R. Tucker Clerk

1 Mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meetg held 1 Mo 28. 1858

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Sherman and Ezra Kelley, Longplain Tho H. Howland + Geo Wood. who are present.

The overseers informed this meeting that they had received from the estate of William Haskins "deceased" about Fourteen hundred dollars, the amo due this Meetg from that estate, and they are now directed to pay three hundred and seventy five dollars to the Treasurer of this Meeting, and the balance of said amo to the Treasurers of our Preparative Meetings in the proportions as they contributed to the funds of this Mo Meeting when the advances were made to that estate. Estate of Wm Haskins

The committee appointed last month to audit the Treasurers account and for other purposes, made the following report, which being considered was acceptable to the Meeting, and Henry T Wood is appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment. Auditors Report

We appoint Wm C Taber Hy T Wood Wm Gifford Ed W Howland & Geo Howland Jr to unite with a similar committee of women friends, to have the care of the income from the Charitable fund of our late dear friend Wm Sherman Jr for the ensuing year or till another appointment. Charitable fund

We appoint Jos Taber, Geo Howland Jr Ch R Tucker Wm R Taber and Richd Davis to have the care of the income from the Educational fund "left by the above named friend", for the year to come or till others are appointed. Educational fund

Report
To the Monthly Meeting
The committee appointed at our last Mo Meeting to examine and settle the a/c with Hy T Wood Treasurer. To report

1 Mo 1858 Sum to be raised for the use of the Meeting this year. Also to Settle the Accounts with Wm C Taber Trustee of the Fund left by A Shearman Jr for charitable purposes, and to examine and settle the account with Geo Howland Jr Treasurer of the School fund left by the same, also the accounts of the Trustees to the Estate of John West.

That they have attended to the several duties of their appointment and make the following Report,

We have settled the account with Hy T Wood Treasurer and find it correct, there is a balance due him of Sixty eight dollars & thirty one cents. We recommend that $375 dolls be raised for the use of the Meeting this year. & propose Henry T Wood for Treasurer,

We have examined the acct with Wm C Taber Treasurer of the charitable fund and find it correct, they have received the past year $105 dollars. & paid out to 18 persons $101 dollars, balance remaining on hand Thirty eight dollars,

We have examined the acct of G Howland Jr of the Educational fund & find he has paid the schooling of two children one term each at Friends School Providence, and balance on hand $57\frac{34}{100}$ dollars, his acct is Correct.

We have examined & settled the acct, with the Trustees to the estate of John West and find it correct, all the charges being properly authenticated, We find the funds of that estate invested in thirty shares of Merchants Bank Stock, twenty shares of Marine Bank Stock and a note for $1,000 dolls secured by Mortgage, they have paid out $310 dolls to 53 persons believed to be of that class designated in the will of John West "Industrious poor" there is remaining in their hands $243\frac{10}{100}$ dollars, In closing this report we

1 Mo 1858 would improve the opportunity of expressing our belief that the great benefit resulting from the sale of the Real estate by the Trustees, which had proved unproductive and investing the proceeds in Sound dividend paying Stocks has increased four fold the amount of income to be given that class of persons intended by the donor as the recipients of his Christian Charity.

New Bedford
1 Mo 23. 1858

Wm C Barker
Jos Taber
Danl Davis

2 Mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meetg held 2 Mo 25. 1858.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from N Bedford Gidn Wood, Wm P Howland - Longplain Edw G. Dillingham & Albert Wood, who are present.

The following complaint was recd
A Hervey Wilbur from the overseers through Longplain Preparative Meetg against A Hervey Wilbur for deviation in marriage - we appoint Ed G Dillingham and Richd Davis to visit him on account of the subject of complaint, and report the state of his case to a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meetg

This may inform that A Hervey
complain - Wilbur has married out of the order of our Society with one not in membership with us.

Jos Kempton
Richard Davis

North Fairhaven
2 Mo 17. 1858

A removal certificate from
Joseph Swift & wife Sandwich Mo Meetg on behalf of Joseph Swift and his wife Eliza is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

witness Charles R Tucker,

3 M^o 1858 At New Bedford M^o Meety held 3 M^o 25. 1858
The Representatives appointed to attend this
Meeting, are James Arnold [illegible] Henry T Wood
and Nathan Bowman; Longplain Con^d Macomber
John R Davis, who are present.
The time for which the clerks of this
Clerks. Meety were appointed having expired, Charles R
Tucker is reappointed clerk and Matthew Howland
assistant clerk of this Meeting for the year
ensuing or untill another appointment.
The Queries were read in this meety
with answers from our Preparative Meetings,
from which a summary was approved and
directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meety
by Geo Howland jr Ed L Dillingham John Wood
and Ezra Kelley, who we have appointed
our Representatives.
The following receipt was rec^d from the
Treasurer of this Meety.
New Bedford 3^d M^o 15. 1858
Received from Wm Gifford Three hundred
seventy five dollars, on behalf of N Bedford
M^o Meety being the am^t authorized by that
Meety to be paid as its amount of Stock
for this year. $375.
Henry T Wood Treas.
The time for which the recorders of
this Meety were appointed, having expired,
Recorders. Matthew Howland is reappointed Recorder,
and Rich^d Davis and Albert Wood assistant
Recorders for the ensuing year or 'till
another appointment.
Stock Our proportion of Quarterly Meeting
Stock has been paid to their Treasurer.

Att Charles R Tucker Clerk

4 M. 1858 At New Bedford Mo Mtg held 4 m 2. 1858

The Representatives named to attend this meetg are from New Bedford Seth [illegible] Alex Hellman - Longplain Jno A Howland and John Wood, who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meetg report they attended.

Ja. Davis restored The committee appointed in the 9th Month 1850, to visit James Davis on acct of his deviation in Marriage made the following report, which was considered and accepted, and he is retained in Membership with us. in which the womens Meeting concur, and John Wood is named to inform him thereof.

Report To the Mo Meetg

Report. The committee in the case of James Davis report, they have had several interviews with him on acct of his marrying a person not in Membership with us, in all of which he was desireous of friends should continue him a member, which we submit to the Meeting.

Fairhaven
4 M 1. 1858. Thomas Wood
Josiah Holmes jr

Arthur Wilbur disowned The committee appointed in 3d Mo 1855 to visit Arthur Wilbur, who had Married with one not in Membership with us, Submitted the following report, which being read and considered, and with the concurrence of the womens Meetg we disown him as a Member of our Religious Society, and Ed G Dillingham is appointed to inform him with this conclusion.

To the Mo Meetg.

Report. The committee in the case of Arthur Wilbur report, that we have had several interviews with him on acct of the complaint, at the last he informed us that he some expected to remove to the west, if so he wished to retain his

4 M. 1858 right of membership, as he thought it would be easier to attend Meetgs there, and would then be with his fathers family. But if he remained here he did not wish for friends to continue him a member on acct of the supposed dificulty of living consistantly with our profession, which we submit to the Meeting.

Elnathan E. Delano
Fairhaven Jabez Wood
4 Mo 19, 1858

William DeWolf disowned The committee appointed in the 6 mo 1857 to visit William DeWolf on acct of his deviation in Marriage presented the following report, wich was considered and accepted, and having the concurrence of women friends we disown him as a member of our Religious Society, and appoint Henry T Wood to inform him with this conclusion.

Report.

To the Mo Meeting.

Report. The committee appointed to confer with William DeWolf on acct of the complaint against him for marrying out of the order of our society, have corresponded with him by letter in his absence, and since his return have had an interview with him upon the subject. He expressed no decided choice to be continued in membership, and informed us that while he should wish at times to attend our religious meetings, he expected to attend those of another denomination of which his wife was a member. In his present state of mind we see little if any ground for hope that further care on the part of friends will be beneficial, and submit the case to the Meetg.

Seth K Akin
3 M. 10. 1858. Henry T Wood

4 Mo 1858 The committee appointed in the 2d Mo last to visit N Hervey Wilbur on acct of his deviation in Marriage, presented the following communication, which being duly considered, it was the judgement of this Meeting to continue him a member of our Religious Society, the women uniting herein, and the clerk is appointed to inform him hereof.

N Hervey Wilbur restored

Edward Dillingham
Dear Friend

I have connected myself in Marriage with one who is not a member of the Society of Friends. But should like to be retained a member of Society. Truly thine
N Hervey Wilbur.

If friends should see fit to retain Hervey in membership he wishes a certificate addressed to the Mo Meetg of Bloomington Iowa. Enoch Haag Clerk.

We appoint Ed G Dillingham and Richard Davis to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of N Hervey Wilbur directed to Bloomington Mo Meeting Iowa, and present to our next Meetg.

The committee under appointment in the case of Barnabas Delano, laid before the Meeting at this time the following communication recd from ~~Bloomington~~ Three River Mo Meetg ~~Iowa~~, which being considered; friends were united in disowning him as a member of our Religious Society, having the concurrence of the womens Meetg, and the clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to that Mo Meetg requesting them to inform him of his disownment by New Bedford Mo Meetg.

Barnabas Delano

over

4 Mo 1858 To New Bedford Mo Meeting of friends Mass

Dear Friends

The committee appointed at our last Meeting to treat with Report Barnabus Delano for accomplishing his marriage contrary to discipline, report that one of them had an opportunity with him, and he does not wish to retain his right of membership in the Society of friends. The clerk is directed to forward the above minute to New Bedford Mo Meeting of friends.

Taken from the Minutes of Three River Monthly Meeting of friends held the 13th of 3 mo 1858

Ellwood Haworth Clerk

Charles Hinshaw
Correspondent.

Overseers of Poor The time having expired for which the Overseers of the Poor were appointed, the friends now under appointment viz Edmund Gardner, Philip Anthony Wm Gifford Isa: Howland jr, Wm R Taber John Wood Rich Davis and Seth H Akin are continued on that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

5 Mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meetg held 5 Mo 27, 1858

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Gideon Wood Saml Rodman Long plain John Wood and Cyrus Macomber, who are present.

Benj Anthony and wife request The following request from Benjamin Anthony and his wife Julia Ann to be received into membership with us, came through New Bedford Preparative Meeting, we appoint Wm C Taber and Nathan Bowman to unite with a similar committee of women friends, in visiting them on account of their request, and report to a future Meeting.

5Mo 1858 To the Preparative Meetg of Friends.
Dear Friends

Having for a long time past been fully convinced of Friends principles, and having of late been awakened to the Subject, we feel it right for us at this time to request to become members of your religious Society.

Request

Benjamin Anthony
Julia Ann Anthony

The following complaint from the overseers against Joshua B Bowman was recd through Longplain Preparative Meetg, we appoint Elnathan E Delano and Wm P Taber to visit him on acct of his deviation and report to a future Meeting.

Joshua B Bowman

To the Monthly Meeting
The overseers inform that Joshua B Bowman has married out of the order of our Society with one not a member.

Complaint

Fairhaven
5Mo 19. 1858.

John Wood
Jos Kempton } Overseers

The friend named last month to inform Arthur A Wilber of ~~with~~ the conclusion of this Meetg in his case reports that he had performed that Service.

A Wilber

The clerk informed the Meeting that a copy of our minute made last Month ~~to~~ in the case of Barnd Delano had been forwarded to Thee River Mo Meetg Iowa.

B Delano

A removal certificate on behalf of Noah Henry Wilbur to Bloomington Mo Meeting Iowa, is approved having the concurrence of the womens meeting.

adjd Charles R. Tucker Clerk

6 mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 mo 24. 1858

The representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Jos. L. Tillinghast, Nathan Bowman Long-plain Josiah Holmes Jr & Marlboro Bradford who are present.

Visit of Olney Thompson and James Jordan

We have at this time the company of our beloved friends Olney Thompson of Bloomington Mo Meeting and Red Cedar Qr Meeting Iowa, and James Jordan of Amawalk Mo Meetg New York, they presented Satisfactory certificates from their respective Meetings expressive of unity with their Ministry and present religious engagements, their company and gospel labors have been acceptable to friends.

Lydia Thompson

Our beloved friend Lydia Thompson who accompanies her husband Olney Thompson attended this meeting, with a Satisfactory minute from the same Mo Meeting, expressing unity with her as an Elder and with her present engagements, her company has been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing the above friends with copies of these minutes "so far as they relate to each respectively.

Wm Dewolf

The friend named in the fourth month to infoorm Wm Dewolf of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has infoomed him,

Benj Anthony & wife

The committee appointed last mo to visit Benja Anthony and wife on acct of their request to be received into membership, presented the following report, which being considered was fully united with, in which our women friends concur, and the clerk is directed to inform Swansey mo meeting that we propose to receive Benj Anthony into membership with us, if there is no objection on their part, as he was formerly a member of and was disowned by that meety.

6 mo 1858 To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Benjn Anthony and his wife Julia Ann Anthony to a good degree of satisfaction, and we are united in believing that they are convinced of our religious Report principles, and that they are suitable to be received into membership, As Benjn Anthony was formerly a member of, and was disowned by Swansey Mo Meeting, the rules of our discipline require that the consent of that Meeting should be first obtained before he can be received by us.

New Bedford
6 mo 1858.

Wm C Taber
Nathan Bowman
Sarah H Anthony
Hannah T Taber

The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetgs to the 1. 2 & 10th. from which a Summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Meeting by our representatives to which Service we appoint Jos Taber Wm Barker Ed G Dillingham and Joseph Kempton.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk.

7 m 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 7 Mo 22. 1858.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Saml Rodman Alex [illegible] Longstain Peter D. Slade and William Bradford who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meet report they all attended.

We have received extracts from the minutes of our late Yr Meetg embracing the report of the boarding School committee, and regulations to be observed in relation to the school.

7 Mo 1858 We appoint Henry T Wood Matthew How-
land Jaber Wood and Richard Davis
Boarding a committee to make suitable enquiries
school as to the fitness of children who propose
Providence entering the school, and Parents are
desired to make early application to the
committee in order that certificates
may be granted in time to be forwarded
to the School committee when application
is made for admission. And they are
directed to present the name of any
schollar for admission, who they may
think entitled to the benefit of the
benevolent fund of that Institution.

We have received 220 copies of the
Epistles London printed Epistle and 190 copies
and of the printed minutes of our last Yr Meetg.
printed and have appointed Wm C Wood, Jaber
minutes Wood Isaac Howland Peter D Slade John
Wood Jr and Josiah Holmes Jr to distribute
the same among our members and
report Next Month.

The following minute was recd
from the Qr Meeting in relation to
Stock stock, and our Treasurer is directed
to pay our proportion as stated when
the State of the Treasury will admit.

It is concluded to raise three hund-
red dollars for the use of this meeting
Qr mtg the ensuing year, and our Mo meetgs
are requested to forward their respective
proportions to Matthew Howland our
Treasurer. New Bedford Mo meetings
proportion is one hundred fifty dollars
50 % per Ct.

From the Minutes of Sandwich
Qr Meetg held at Falmouth 7 Mo 1858
Wm C Taber Clerk

The Committee appointed in the
11th Month 1857 to visit Ed [illegible] Taber
on acct of his deviation in marriage
made the following report, which

YEARLY MEETING, 6th month, 1858.

The Boarding School Committee presented the following Report, viz :

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING,

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, at Providence, report—

That they have given attention to the objects of their appointment. The two terms of the School have been held, under the superintendence of Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland, as Principals,—assisted during the summer term by John F. Rowell, Elizabeth Arnold, Rebecca H. Smiley, as teachers of the English branches; by Franklin E. Page, in mathematics; Daniel D. Patten and Albert Palmer, each a part of the term, in Classical studies; by Caroline H. Pinkham, in needle-work, Mary A. Potter, in drawing, and by Alphonse Renaud, in French. In the winter term, Daniel D. Patten was the Classical teacher for the term—the other teachers remaining as in the summer term, except that Rebecca D. Wing and Mary S. Harris, took the places of Caroline H. Pinkham and Elizabeth Arnold. Lectures on some branches of Natural Science were delivered in the winter term, by Samuel Austin.

The usual course of studies has been pursued. The deportment of the scholars, has been generally satisfactory—as much so, perhaps, as at any former period of the School. The methods of teaching have kept pace with the improvements which experience has suggested, and a general disposition among the scholars has been apparent to avail themselves of the advantages thus afforded.

Harmony has prevailed in the family, and a disposition to labor unitedly for the good of the institution.

The meetings for worship on First Day mornings, have been regularly held in the school house. They have been generally attended by members of the committee, and often by other concerned Friends, and have proved interesting seasons. At other times, the family attend meetings in Providence.

It has been the concern of the committee, that the minds of the children should be impressed with a sense of the vital importance of religion, of the necessity of an acquaintance with the truths recorded in Holy Scripture, and of a careful attention to the monitions of Truth in their own minds.

During the winter term, there were fifty-two cases of measles in the school. The disease was exhibited in a mild form, and all who were attacked, recovered. The circumstance of this sickness occasioned much additional care and responsibity to the Principals, and we think it due to them to say, that the duties, thus devolving upon them, were cheerfully and faithfully performed,—and it is cause of thankfulness, that among so many cases of disease, the lives of all were preserved.

There were admitted and came to the school, as scholars for the summer term, seventy-three males and sixty-six females; and for the winter term, ninety-one males, and seventy females, and nearly all of them attended through these terms respectively.

The arrangement with the Principals for the management of the affairs of the school, has been continued upon the same terms as last year. Some expense has been incurred in repairs and alterations necessarily made upon the school premises, during the year, the amount of which appears in the statement of expenditures.

The result of the annual examination of the accounts of the Institution, may be stated as follows, viz:

CHARITABLE FUND.

In treasurer's hands last year	$95 00
Receipts	310 00
Due the treasurer from this fund, at this time .	75 00
	$480 00
Payments for the board and tuition of twelve scholars, one term each	$480 00

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts from the income of the School Fund .	$6,122 14

Payments (exclusive of those to be made by the Principal.)

Fire insurance	$165 00
Repairs on the school premises	1,125 48
To Joseph Cartland, on contract	3,000 00
	$4,290 48
Which deducted from the receipts leaves an excess of	$1,831 66

Of which excess $214 31 is in the hands of the treasurer, and the balance has been applied to payments on account of the interest and principal of the debt of the Institution;—leaving the present amount of indebtedness, less the amount in treasurer's hands, and exclusive of accrued interest $2,285 69

We propose that the summer and winter terms of the school should commence and continue as last year—and that the charge for board and tuition remain without change, viz: $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or the scholars are sent at the charge of such members; and $100 for any others who may be admitted. That $5 per term, additional charge, continue to be made for instruction, either in the Ancient Languages, in French, or in Drawing, books and stationery being furnished as heretofore at actual cost.

The regulations respecting the time of payment, manner and times of admission of scholars, &c., we append to this report, with the view of their being again sent to the subordinate meetings, for the information of Friends.

Signed on behalf of the committee,
STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk."

Providence, fifth month, 7th, 1858.

Regulations referred to in the above report of the School Committee.

"As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the school, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received.

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the committee at their Meetings to be held in the 3d and 9th months—as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At this Meeting, applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable Fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the meeting of the committee in the ninth month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. And friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for admission of scholars into the school.

It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance, but if in any case this is not practicable, one half to be made at the commencement, and the balance at the middle of the term.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified, shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of children being admitted for the term, and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising to the Institution.

Application for admission into the school, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund is to be made to the Principals.

Address, JOSEPH CARTLAND,
Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, R. I."

From the Minutes of the Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

1858 being considered was accepted the Women
concurring herein, and we retain him
aber a member of our religious Society, and
ined Rufus Shearman is named to inform him
of this conclusion.

To the Mo Meeting
Agreeable to appointment we
t. have visited Edd S Taber on acct of his
deviation in marriage. He appears to
have a regard for our Society and
informed us that he wished to retain
his right of membership with friends.
Which we submit to the judgement
of the Meeting.
New Bedford
7mo 22 1858

Joseph Davis
Rufus Sherman
Wm P Howland

The friends named in the 11th
Month last to labour with Daniel
nowles Knowles on acct of his neglecting
ned the attendance of our meetings made
the following report, which being
read and considered was united
with, and having the concurrence
of the Womens Meeting, we disown
him as a member of our Religious
Society, and Ch R Tucker is appointed
to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Meeting
Agreeable to appointment
we have visited Danl Knowles on acct
of his neglecting the attendance of
our religious meetings, He justifies
himself in the course he has taken
and gives no encouragement of again
meeting with us, unless it be upon
some particular Occasion, which
we submit to the judgement of
the Meeting.
New Bedford
7mo 19. 1858

Abm Barker
Ch R Tucker

7 Mo 1858 We unite with the women in accepting
Lydia B Crocker a removal certificate from Sandwich
and Mo Meeting on behalf of Lydia B Crocker
Sylvia B and her daughter Sylvia B Crocker.
Crocker,

We have received the following communication from Bloomington Mo Meeting viz.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting of Friends - Dear Friends,

Bloomington Your certificate of Membership for Noah Hervey Wilbur
Mo Meetg was produced at this Meeting and accepted. By direction and on behalf of Bloomington Mo Meeting of Friends Iowa held 7 Mo 3rd 1858

Brinton Darlington Enoch Hoag Clerk
Correspondent.

London The London printed Epistle for 1857
Epistle was read in this Meeting to our Comfort & Edification.

Adjd Charles R Tucker Clerk

8 Mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 8 Mo 26. 1858.

The Representatives named to attend are from New Bedford Rufus Shearman Geo Howland Jr Longplain Wm H Taber and Stephen Smith who are present.

The friends named last Month to distribute the London printed Epistles and the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting report the service has been performed.

The friend named last month
E T to inform Ed T Taber that he had
Taber been retained in membership with us reports, that he had informed him.

8 Mo 1858 The following communication was recd from Swansey Mo Meeting giving their consent for us to receive Benja Anthony

B Anthony & wife - recd into membership with, which being satisfactory to this meeting and having the concurrence of the women we now receive Benjo Anthony and his wife Julia Ann Anthony as members of our Religious Society, and Jas Davis is named to inform him hereof.

Our beloved friend Deborah C Hinsdale of Newyork attended this meeting and

Deborah C. Hinsdale produced satisfactory certificates from Newyork Mo Mtg and Westbury Qr Meeting, expressive of unity with her ministry and present religeous engagements - her company and gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us.

Our friend Maria Willets attended this meeting as companion to Deborah C Hinsdale, and presented a minute

Maria Willets - of concurrence from Newyork Mo Meetg, her company & Christian deportment has been accepltable to friends - the clerk is directed to furnish copies of these minutes to the above friends as they relate to each in connection with the clerk of the womens Meetg.

The friend named to inform Danl

D. Knowls, Knowles of his disownment, reports that he has informed him.

To New Bedford Mo Mtg of friends
Dear friends

A communication from the clerk of New-Bedford Mo Meetg has been recd, and read

Swansey Mo Meetg. relative to a request from Benja Anthony to be recd a member of that Meetg, he having been disowned by this Meetg, and in reply the clerk was directed to inform that we have no objection to his request being granted - we remain your friends - Signed on behalf of Swansey

8 Mo 1858 Mo Meeting of Friends held in Somerset
7 Mo 26. 1858.

Thomas S Gifford Clerk

Williams Davis Jr

The following complaint was recd from the overseers against Williams Davis Jr for marrying out of the order of our society — we appoint Elnathan E Delano and Josiah Holmes Jr to visit him on acct of his deviation and report to a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting

Williams Davis Jr has married out of the order of society with one not a member.

Longplain
8 Mo 18. 1858.

Richard Davis }
Joseph Kempton } Overseers

Wm W Gifford Restored

The committee appointed in the 4 Mo 1855 to visit Wm W Gifford on acct of his deviation in marriage — Made the following report — which being considered was approved, and with the consent of the Womens Meeting we continue him a member of our religious society, and Henry T Wood is named to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Meetg

Report

Agreeable to our appointment in 1855 we have since his return from sea, visited Wm W Gifford in consequence of his deviation in marriage. He evinced a preference for our meetings and manner of worship, and expressed a decided choice to retain his right of membership. Believing it may be safe to continue him a member of Society we submit his case to the meetg together with the accompanying paper.

New Bedford
8 Mo 25. 1858.

Rufus Shearman
Seth K Akin
Hy T Wood

8 Mo 1858

New Bedford 8 mo 25. 1858

To the Mo Meetg

W W Gifford

This is to say that I am aware that I have violated the rules of our society by marrying out of the Meeting, and am particularly desirous that Friends will overlook it and retain me a member. Wm Wilbur Gifford

Rachael Howland Returns Minutes

Our beloved friend Rachael Howland returned to this Meeting, certificates granted her in the 10th and 11th months last. And informed the meeting that she had been favoured though in great weakness to perform the service which she apprehended required of her, much to the peace and relief of her own mind, and that in visiting the Prisons, Houses of Refuge, State Reform, normal and Industrial schools, had been seasons in which she felt that Holy help had been witnessed, and desired that all the praise might be given to him who is alone able to sustain all who place their dependence in him - All of which was satisfactory to the meeting, and several friends who had been with her during a part of the service acknowledged that she had been remarkably blessed to those for whose wellbeing she had been made willing to labor.

J B Bowman Retained

The committee appointed in the fifth month to visit Joshua B Bowman on acct of his deviation in marriage - made the following report - which being considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the women we retain him in membership with us. and Jona Cowin is appointed to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Meetg

According to appointment we have visited Joshua B Bowman with good satisfaction - It is his wish to remain with and be one of us, and that friends would pass by his deviation

8 Mo 1858 . He appeared to be well disposed towards friends, and we think in what he expressed

Report – to us there was a good degree of honesty, which we submit to the meeting,

New Bedford 7 Mo 22. 1858

Elnathan C. Delano
Wm R. Taber

Our beloved friend Wm R. Taber a minister in Unity with us, in a weighty

Wm R. Taber's Manner informed this meeting, that he

minute felt drawn to attend in the love of the gospel ~~to attend~~ the ensuing yearly meety of Indianna. Which after a time of deliberation was fully united with, and he was encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct.

Our beloved friend Wm C Taber informed

Wm C. Taber's this meeting, that he believed it would

Minutes be right for him to accompany our friend Wm R Taber in his proposed visit to Indianna Yr Meety. which being considered was united with- He being an Elder in Unity with us.

The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing the above friends with minutes embracing the substance of these ~~minutes~~ as they relate to each,

att. Charles R Tucker Clerk

9 Mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo meeting held 9 Mo 23. 1858

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are, from New-Bedford Wm Gifford James H Tripp [illegible] Jonathan Cowin and Joseph Kempton who are present.

The Queries were read at this time with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 & 10th from which a summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Yr meeting by our Representatives to which

9 Mo 1858 service we appoint Edmund Gardner Jos Taber Jonathan Cowin and Richard Davis.

B. Anthony
W W Gifford
J B Bowman
The friends named last month to inform Benj Anthony Wm W Gifford and Joshua B Bowman with the conclusions of this meeting in their respective cases report they have been informed.

Com on Funerals &c
The committee under appointment to have the oversight at Funerals and care of Burial grounds made the following report, which was acceptable to the meetg and the friends now under appointment viz Wm P Howland Chas. R Tucker Geo Howland Jr Hy T Wood Saml Davis Jos Taber Edm Gardner Geo Wood Jos G Tillinghast Rich Davis Jos R Wing Peter G Slade Taber Wood John Wood Ed G Dillingham Wm R Taber Wm Kempton E E Dennis Jon. Cowin J Holmes with the addition of Ed W Howland are continued on that service the ensuing year, to report in the ninth Mo next.

To the Mo Meetg

Report
The Committee appointed to take the oversight at Funerals and the care of Burial Grounds belonging to Friends. Report, That during the past year some of our number have attended all Funerals held under the care of Friends - These we believe have been reputeably held, and the requisitions of our Discipline relating to a becoming simplicity in the head stones with inscriptions, placed over the graves of the deceased, have we think been observed. The two exceptions with regard to head stones noted in the report last year have received our attention, and some hopes are entertained that the wishes of Friends in this case will be complied with.

On behalf of the committee
9 Mo 20 1858
Henry T Wood
Wm P Howland

9 M. 1858 Our beloved friend Joseph Davis a
minister in unity with us, in a weighty
manner informed this Meeting that he
Jo. Davis, had for some time felt drawn to attend
Minute in the love of the Gospel the ensuing
yearly Meeting of Baltimore, which
after a time of solid deliberation was
fully united with, and he was encouraged
to proceed therein under the guidance
of best Wisdom.

Our beloved friend Wm P Howland
Wm P Howland informed this meeting that he felt that
Minute it would be right for him to accompany
our friend Joseph Davis on his visit
to Baltimore Yr Mtg, which being
considered was united with, and he was
liberated for that Service, he being an
Elder in good esteem with us.

Our beloved friends Priscilla Greene
and Mary Nicholson from Great Brittain
being acceptably with us, their certificates
P Greene were again read – having been read
and and minuted in the sixth Month
M Nicholson last year – their company and gospel
labors have been acceptable to this
Meeting – and at the present time
they are acceptably engaged in visiting
the families of Friends in New Bedford
Preparative Meeting. Our dear friend
Priscilla Greene having for a number
of weeks been confined by illness to
the House of our friend Matthew Howland
where she has been kindly cared for, and
is now again able to resume her religious
labors among us – friends have deeply
sympathised with them during her
illness.

Ext, Charles R Tucker Clerk

The clerk was directed to furnish our
friends Joseph Davis and Wm P Howland
with copies of the above minutes
as they relate to each.

10 M° 1858 At New Bedford M° Meeting held 10 M° 28. 1858

The Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm C Taber Abm Barker, Longplain Albert Wood and Ed G Dillingham who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meetg report they all attended.

Our beloved friend James Van Blarcum
James attended this meeting, with a satisfactory
Van Blarcums certificate from China M° Meetg endorsed
Visit by Vassalboro Qr Meetg. expressive of Unity
with him as a Minister and his present religious engagements, his company and religious labors have been acceptable to this Meeting. the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Marriage The following intentions of Marriage
intentions from Wm G Wood and Eliza Howland
Wm G Wood Delano were received through New Bedford
E. H. Delano. Preparative Meetg, we appoint Wm Gifford and
Seth R. Akin to enquire into the clearness of Wm G Wood to proceed in Marriage and report next Month.

With Divine permission
And friends approbation we intend
Marriage with each other.
New Bedford Wm G Wood
10 M° 21. 1858. Eliza Howland Delano.

Our beloved friend Joseph Davis returned
to this meeting a certificate furnished him last
J. Davis month to attend Baltimore Yr Meetg, and
Returns informed friends that he had been favoured
Minute to attend that meeting, and two Meetings
for worship in Philadelphia to the peace of his own Mind. which is satisfactory to us. he presented a returning minute from that Yr Meetg.

Our friend Wm P Howland returned
Wm P Howland at this time a minute granted him
returns last month to accompany Joseph Davis
minute in the attendance of Baltimore Yearly

10 Mo 1858 Meeting, he presented a returning minute
from that Meeting, and informed friends
that his visit had been Satisfactory, and
felt that he had been in his proper place,
which is agreeable to friends.

attest Charles R Tucker clerk

11 Mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meetg held
11 Mo 25. 1858

The Representatives appointed to
attend this Meetg, are from, New Bedford
Samuel Rodman Joseph Taber Longplain
Marlboro Bradford & Jos R Wing who are present.

The queries with ans from our
Preparative Meetgs to the 1. 2 & 10th have
been read, from which a summary was
approved and directed to be forwarded to
the ensuing Quarterly Meetg. we appoint
Wm R Taber Hy T Wood Nathan Bowman and
Peter D Slade to attend that Meetg as our
Representatives.

We are informed by the overseers
through New Bedford Preparative Meetg that
n H Gifford Charles H Gifford has married out of the
married order of our society, we appoint Abm
out Barker and Matthew Howland to visit
him on that account and report at
a future Meetg.

Our beloved friend Thomas Grover
attended this Meetg with a satisfactory
Thomas Minute from Smithfield Mo Meetg. his
Grover company and services in the ministry
visit have been acceptable to us. The clerk
is directed to furnish him with a copy of
the above minute.

William Gregg having requested
a certificate to Dartmouth Mo Meetg
Wm Gregg on acct of marriage, we appoint Hy
certificate T Wood and Jos. Tillinghast to take
on acc marriage the required care in the case, and
report next Month.

Longplain Preparative Meetg having
requested that the Midweek Meetg at
Longplain be discontinued on the
days in which the Qr Meeting is held

11 Mo 1858 in the 7th and 10th months, being considered
Longplain is united with in concurrence with the
Midweek Womens Meeting.
Meetg.

William G Wood and Eliza H Delano
having at our last Mo Meetg made a written
declaration of thier intentions of marriage, and
Wm G Wood they now appearing clear to proceed therein
and having consent of Parents and others concerned,
as far as practicable
Eliza H Delano, are now allowed to solemnize their said
marriage according to the established order of
our Religious Society - Wm P Howland and Ed
W Howland are appointed to have the
oversight thereof and report at our next
Mo Meetg.

Our beloved friend Wm R Taber returned
to this Meeting a certificate furnished him in
Wm R Taber the 8th month to attend Indianna Yr Meetg -
returns and informed friends that he had been
Minute favored to perform what he apprehended required
of him to the peace of his own mind, and
felt that he had been in his proper place, he
presented a satisfactory returning Minute from
that Yr Meetg - all of which is agreeable to
friends.

Witness Charles R Tucker clerk

We have to inform that Charles H Gifford
has married out of the order of our Society with
one not in membership with us.
To New Bedford Mo Meetg.
11 Mo 17. 1858.
Edmund Gardner
Davd Davis } overseers.

12 mo 1858 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held
12 Mo 23d 1858.

The Representatives appointed to attend
this meeting are from New Bedford Benj
Anthony Rufus Shearman. Longplain Silas
Delano & Richd Davis. who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meetg report
they all attended.

Wm Gregg A certificate on behalf of Wm Gregg to
Certificate Dartho Mo Meetg on acct of marriage. with
the concurrence of the Womens Meetg is approved.

12th Mo 1858

C H Gifford Retained

The committee appointed last month to visit Charles H Gifford on acct of his deviation in marriage presented the following report. Which being considered was accepted, and with the womens concurrence we retain him in membership with us, and appoint Matthew Howland to inform him hereof.

Report

To the Mo Meeting

According to our appointment we have visited Ch H Gifford on acct of his deviation in Marriage. He expressed a strong attachment for our religious society, and was desireous of retaining his right of membership. Which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford
12 Mo 22d 1858.

Matthew Howland
Abm Barker

Committee W, W & E H D

The committee appointed last month to have the oversight of the marriage of Wm C. Wood & Eliza H Delano. report that circumstances had prevented the accomplishment of said marriage. we continue the same friends on that appointment to report next month.

Auditors

We appoint Matthew Howland Wm Gifford and Abm Barker to examine and settle the Treasurers acct. to propose a sum necessary to be raised for the service of the meeting the ensuing year, and the name of a friend for Treasurer. also to audit the several Trust funds under the direction of this meeting and report next month.

Committee on overseers

The time for which the overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we appoint Wm C. Taber Hy T Wood Edw G Dillingham Jos R Wing and Joseph Holmes Jr to consider of and propose to our next Mo Meeting the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as overseers for the year ensuing.

12 Mo 1858 Our beloved friend Rachael S Howland a minister in unity with us, in a weighty manner informed this meeting that she had for some time felt that it would be right for her

R. Howland minute

to make a religious visit to the Boarding School and attend a few meetings within the limits of North Carolina Yr Meeting. After a time of solid deliberation her prospect was fully united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein as truth may open the way. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meetg in furnishing her with a minute embracing the above.

W C Taber returns minute

William C Taber returned to this meetg a minute furnished him in the eighth month to accompany Wm R Taber to attend Indianna Yr Meeting and presented a returning minute from that meeting, and informed friends that the visit had been a satisfactory one to himself - all of which is acceptable to us.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

1 Month 1859 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 1 Mo 27. 1859. The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Jos Taber and Geo Kempton. Longplain Edward G Dillingham and David Shove who are present

The committee to have the oversight of the marriage of Wm G Wood and Eliza H Delano, made the following report, viz.

W G Wood and E H Delano

To the Mo Meeting

The committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Wm G Wood and Eliza H. Delano, Report that the marriage was orderly conducted, and the certificate has been handed to the recorder.

New Bedford
1 Mo 27. 1859

Wm P Howland
Ed W Howland
Lydia Congdon
Sarah Howland

1m 1859 The friend named last month to
inform Charles H Gifford of the conclusion
C H Gifford of this Meetg in his case reports that he has
attended to the Service.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth
Wm P Lawrence Mo Meetg on behalf of Wm Penn Lawrence is
accepted accepted with the concurrence of the womens
Meeting.

The committee appointed in the 1m
1857 to visit Chas A Howland on acct of his
C A Howland deviation in marriage, made the following
Retained Report, which be acceptable to this and the Womens
Meetg, we retain him in membership with us
and appoint Richd Davis to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Meetg

Agreeable to our appointment we have
had several interviews with Chas A Howland
on acct of his deviation in marriage. He
expressed a preference to retain his right of
Membership with us.

Fairhaven Wm P Taber
1m 26 1859. Jabez Wood

The committee appointed last mo
to audite and settle the Treasurers acct
and for other purposes presented the following
Report which is acceptable to the meeting, and
Auditors in accordance therewith Hen T Wood is
Report appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the
year ensuing. And Peter D Slade, Marlboro
Bradford Wm G Wood Geo Kempton and Albert
Wood are named to receive the subscriptions
of friends for two hundred and seventy five $275.-
dollars the sum proposed to be raised for the
Service of this meeting, and when accomplished
present the Treasurers Receipt for that amo.

New Bedford 1m 20. 1859

To the Mo Meetg.

In accordance with our appointment we
have examined and settled the accounts of the
Treasurer, and find them correct, showing a
balance due him of eighteen and 31/100ths

up

1 Mo 1859 dollars.

There are twenty one shares of Bank stock belonging to the Meeting, the dividends from which during the past year amounted to $126. In addition to this income we would reccommend that $275. dollars be raised to meet our expenses the ensuing year, and propose the name of Henry T Wood for Treasurer.

We have examined and settled the acct of the Trustees to John West's Estate, which now consists of 50 shares of Bank stock, and a note secured by Mortgage for $1,000.- dolls - The income acct for the past year has been $410.- and they have made 70 seventy donations amo $358. showing a balance on hand of $247.08 dollars.

The acct of the committee having charge of the Educational fund have been found correct showing a balance in their hands of $101.34 this fund consists of 12 Shares of Bank Stock, the income the past year was $84 They have paid during this time $40.- for one term of one Schollar at Friends Boarding School Providence.

We have also audited the accounts of the committee on the charitable fund, and learn that 17 persons have been assisted by them during the year 16 of them five dolls each and one $12.- making $92.- and leaving a balance on hand of $51.51 This fund consists of 15 shares of Bank stock yielding $105. dolls the past year.

We believe we may say that the income from the several Trust funds under the direction of this Meeting, are distributed as far as practicable in accordance with the wishes and intent of the donors.

Matthew Howland
Henry Parker
Wm Gifford

Charitable fund

We appoint Wm C Taber Henry T Wood Edw W Howland Wm Gifford and Geo Howland Jr to unite with a similar Committee of women friends to have the disposition of the charitable fund left by our dear friend A Shearman Jr for the ensuing year.

1 M 1859 are appointed Joseph R Taber Geo Howland Jr Wm R Taber Richd Davis and Chas R Tucker to
Educational fund have the care of the Educational fund left by our late dear friend A Sherman deceased, for the ensuing year.

The friends named last month to consider of and propose to this Meeting the names of suitable friends for Overseers,
Overseers appointed propose the names of Daniel Davis, Edmund Gardner, Wm Gifford, John Wood Richd Davis and Jos Kempton, which being acceptable to
See below the meeting they are appointed Overseers of this Meeting the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

2 M 1859 When the Minutes of last month were read, it was proposed to amend the above minute appointing overseers by substituting the following which was united with. viz -

The friends appointed last month to consider of and propose to this Meeting the names of suitable friends to serve the meeting as overseers - proposed the names of Daniel Davis Edmund Gardner
Overseers and Wm Gifford for New Bedford Preparative Meeting and John Wood Richard Davis and Joseph Kempton for Longplain Preparative Meeting - which being acceptable to the Meeting they are appointed overseers for the year ensuing or untill another appointment -

2 M 24 1859. att. Charles R Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Mtg held 2 M 24. 1859.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Samuel R Tripp Gideon Wood - Longplain Lem^l Macomber and Elnathan E Delano. who are present.

The friend named last month to inform Chas A Howland

2M. 1859 that he had been restored to membership. reports that he has informed him.

The overseers inform through Acoaxet Preparative Meeting that Elias Knowles has married with one not in membership with us. Wm Gifford and Wm C. Taber are appointed to visit him on that account, and report to a future Meeting.

Committee to visit Elias Knowles

We are also informed thro the same Preparative Meeting that Philip S. Shearman and Wm J. Shearman have for a considerable time wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and have joined themselves to another religious denomination, we appoint Wm P. Howland Wm R. Taber & J. Holmes jr to visit them in love on acct of the complaint and report their judgment in the case at a future Meeting.

Philip S. & Wm J. Shearman

The committee appointed last month to receive the subscriptions of friends, for the Service of this Meeting, presented the Treas receipt for two hundred seventy five dollars the sum proposed to be raised,

Stock

We are informed that Elias Knowles has married with one not in membership with us.

And we think it right to inform that Philip S. Shearman and Wm J. Shearman have for a considerable time wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and have joined themselves to another religious denomination.

Complaint

To the Mo Meeting
2 M 16. 1859.

Danl Davis
Wm Gifford
Edmund Gardner
Overseers.

Witness Charles R. Tucker
Clerk

3 Sp 1859 At a New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 M 24. 1859.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford, Ely Elwood Wm P Lawrence, Longplain John Wood and Peter D. Slade who were present.

Clerks The time for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, the Representatives proposed the names of Charles R Tucker for Clerk and Matthew Howland for assistant, which were united with by the Meeting, and they are appointed to those services for the ensuing year.

Queries The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings were read, from which a summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Meeting, by our Representatives to which service are appointed Joseph Taber Wm P Howland, John Wood and Edmund Gardner.

Stock Our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Recorders The time having expired for which the Recorders of this Meeting were appointed Matthew Howland is appointed Recorder and Richd Davis and Albert Wood assistants for the coming year.

R S Howland Returns Minute Our beloved friend Rachael S. Howland returned at this time a Minute furnished her in ~~the~~ 12th Mo last to visit friends Boarding School in North Carolina, and attend a few Meetings in the limits of that Yr Meetg. She informed friends that she had been enabled to perform the service greatly to the satisfaction of her own mind - She produced a Minute signed by a number of friends of Deep River Mo Meetg Guilford County N C also one signed by the Superintendant and committee of the Boarding School at New Garden, in which they

3 mo 1859 acknowledge that her visit and Gospel
labours had been acceptable to them. which
is Satisfactory and encouraging to this
Meeting.

We unite with the womens
Meeting in accepting a removal Certi
Avis K Landers ficate from Sandwich Mo Meetg on
behalf of Avis K Landers.

A Memorial on behalf of our
Memorial for H T Taber late dear friend Hannah T Taber deceased
was read ~~and~~ approved in this Meeting,
and directed to be signed by the clerk
and forwarded to the Qr Meeting.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

4 mo 1859 At New Bedford Mo Meetg held 4 mo 25 1859
The Representatives appointed to this
Meeting are from New Bedford Saml Holmes
Rufus Shearman - Longplain Richard Davis
and John Wood - who are present except one.

The Representatives to the Quarterly
Meeting report they all attended.

A Removal Certificate from Nantucket
Certificate to S Swift & family Mo Meetg on behalf on behalf of Seth S
Swift, his wife Eliza B and their daughter
Gulielma - is accepted with the concurrence
of the womens Meetg.

The time for which the overseers of the
Poor were appointed having expired - The
Overseers of Poor friends now on that appointment viz - Edm
Gardner Philip Anthony Wm Gifford Geo Howland Jr
Wm R Taber John Wood Richd Davis and Seth K Akin
are Continued on that service for the ensuing
year.

A Removal certificate from Sandwich Mo
Laban P Crocker Meeting on behalf of Laban P Crocker a
minor - is accepted with the concurrence of
women friends.

The Committee appointed in the 6 mo 1848
on the subject of memorials of deceased
friends - have since their appointment
presented to this Meeting, the following
Memorials viz - in the 3 mo 1849. one

over

4 Mo 1859 on behalf of Abm Shearman Jr a beloved Elder - and in the 2d Mo 1856 one on behalf

Com on of Mary Card an esteemed minister -

Memorials and in the 3 Mo 1857 one on behalf of Hannah

released T Taber a beloved friend and Minister. and the committee are now released from further service under that appointment.

att Charles R Tucker Clerk.

5th Month At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 5th Mo 26th 1859

The Representatives named to attend this meeting are, from New Bedford Seth Ro Akin Alex Hillman, Longplain Jono Cowin and Jos Kempton, who are present.

Henry D Swift The overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting gave the following information respecting Henry D Swift. whereupon we appoint Hy T Wood & Ch R Tucker to communicate with or visit him on our acct, as way may open for and report at a future meeting.

" Henry D Swift has been residing for some time past, remote from any meeting of friends, and has become a member of another Religious denomination.

New Bedford
5 Mo 16. 1859

Edmund Gardner
Danl Davis
Wm Gifford
overseers -

Elias Knowles The committee appointed in the second month to visit Elias Knowles, informed the meeting that he was residing within the limits of Greenfield Mo Meeting Inda. The clerk was directed to forward to the above Mo Meetg a copy of the complaint, and request them to visit him on our acct, and report their judgment in the case when accomplished. Our committee are released

5 Mo 1859 from further care in the case.

Adj.

Ch R Tucker clerk.

6 Month At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 Mo 23. 1859

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Jo. Tabor David Davis - Longplain John Wood and William Bradford who are present.

Thomas Frazar's Minute

Our beloved friend Thomas Frazar attended this Meeting, and produced a satisfactory certificate from Salem Mo Meeting held 12 Mo 15. 1858 - Endorsed by Salem Quarterly Meeting Iowa, His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable and edifying to us. The clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this Minute.

Queries

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 & 10th. from which a summary was adopted and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Meeting, and have appointed our friends Rufus Thornton Jos Kempton Jos Tabor and Edward Dillingham to attend as our Representatives.

Susan Howland Returns Minute to England

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this Meeting a certificate granted her in the 3 Mo 1856 for Religious service in Great Britain & Ireland and if way opened for it on the continent of Europe, as expressed therein. She in a very feeling manner informed friends that she had been mercifully preserved and enabled to perform what she apprehended required of her in a distant land, that she had attended all the Meetings and visited nearly all the families

6 Mo 1857 within the limits of London Yearly Meeting, and had visited those professing with friends who reside in the South of France and in Germany.

She presented returning Minutes from the Yearly Meetings of Ministers and Elders held in London and Ireland, certifying that her company and Gospel labors had been acceptable to them. And in returning her Certificate she had to acknowledge the adoreable goodness of her Lord and Master, whom she beleived had often caused a renewal of her faith, and had now permitted her again to enjoy the company of her family and friends in much quietness and peace.

The testimony of our distant friends to the character of her labors, while among them is satisfactory and encouraging to us.

Lydia Congdon Returns Minute

Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon returned at this time a Certificate granted her in the 6th month 1856 to accompany her Sister Susan Howland on a religious visit to Great Brittain Ireland and the Continent of Europe.

She informed the Meeting that she had accompanied her Sister during the greater part of her visit in that land, and through the protecting care of him whom she believes never forsakes those who are called to labor in his vineyard, she had been enabled to return to her family and friends with the reward of sweet peace, which is encourageing and Satisfactory to us.

un Charles R. Tucker Clerk

Yearly Meeting, 6th Month, 1859.

The Committee for the superintendence of the Boarding School, presented their Annual Report, as follows:

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee for the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, have given their attention to the duties of their appointment.

For the summer term of the School, there were admitted one hundred and seven scholars, of whom fifty-nine were males, and forty-eight were females, and for the winter term, one hundred and fifty-one, of whom, eighty-three were males, and sixty-eight were females. All of these, except in a few cases of leaving on account of ill health and other causes, have been in attendance through the terms. So that with these few exceptions, instruction has been furnished in the School, equal to one term each, to two hundred and fifty-eight scholars.

This instruction we believe to have been efficient in the several branches taught, and imparted in a manner, acceptable to the scholars and satisfactory to the Committee.

The deportment of the pupils generally, we are thankful in being able to say, has been orderly, and their attention to, and improvement in their studies, commendable.

Meetings for worship have been held as heretofore, in the school house, on First Day mornings. They have been attended, with two exceptions, by members of the Committee, and often by other concerned Friends, and they have generally proved seasons of much interest and solemnity.

Instruction for the purpose of giving to the scholars a knowledge of the invaluable contents of the Holy Scriptures, have formed part of the regular exercises of the school, and a concern has been manifested, that the tender minds of the children, should be nurtured in that way which will best secure their future, in a course of virtue and uprightness, consistently with the profession of Friends. Harmony has been preserved in the family, and a kindly feeling and desire to promote the best interests of the school have prevailed.

We have had during the year, the valuable services of Joseph Cartland, and his wife Gertrude W. Cartland, who have acceptably filled the stations of Principals of the school, under the arrangement made with them, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six.

They were assisted by John F. Rowell, Rebecca D. Wing and Mary S. Harris, as teachers of the English branches; by Franklin E. Paige, as teacher of Mathematics; by D. Dana Patten, as teacher of Greek and Latin; by Alphonse Renaud, as teacher of French and German. Mary E. Potter has been teacher of Drawing, and Caroline H. Pinkham of Needlework, and Samuel T. Satterthwaite, as teacher of the English branches was employed in addition in the winter term.

At the close of the summer term, two female scholars, having completed the full course of study, as prescribed by the rules of the school, were presented with duly authenticated certificates or diplomas of scholarship, heretofore agreed to be given in such cases.

A valuable addition has been made to the conveniences and advantages of the School, in the erection, on the grounds on the western side of the school house, of a building for the purpose of exercise; and by the liberality of the officers and scholars in the west wing, this building has been furnished with a valuable apparatus for such exercise, calculated to develope and strengthen the bodily powers and to promote health; and this building and apparatus, have been gladly occupied by the male scholars to their evident advantage; similar provision having heretofore been made for the girls school, and which has been much improved during the last year.

A very desirable addition to the library at the school, has also been made, consisting of nearly five hundred volumes of works of standard value, and of more recent publication than was before there;—thus adding much to the interest of the collection, without cost to the Institution.

The financial results of the year, by an examination of the accounts, which were found to be well vouched and correct, may be stated as follows, viz:

CHARITABLE FUND.

Receipts from the income of the Fund	$257 50
Due the treasurer at this time	97 50
	$355 00

CHARGES ON THE FUND.

Due the treasurer last year	$75 00
Payment for board and tuition of seven scholars, one term each	280 00
	$355 00

The income of this fund the present year, is not expected to exceed that of the last, so that after the present indebtedness of the fund to the treasurer is deducted, there will remain $160, and this is chargeable with the board and tuition of one scholar admitted for the present summer term, leaving $120 for appropriation the ensuing year.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts from income of the School Fund		$5,892 84
Payments,—		
Fire insurance, premium		$165 00
Interest		183 07
Repairs and additions on school premises, including some payments for former years and balance due principal	$2,795 95	
Which has been in part provided for by private subscription to the amount of	365 00	
		2,430 95
To Joseph Cartland, on contract		3,000 00
		$5,779 02
Leaving a surplus of		113 82

Which applied to the indebtedness reported last year, at $2,285 69, leaves the present indebtedness $2,171 87.

We propose that the terms of the school, commence and continue as last year, and that the charge remain the same, viz: $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or the scholars are sent at the own proper charge and expense of such members, and $100 for any others, payable in advance. That $5 additional charge be made, as heretofore, for instruction, either in the Ancient Languages, in French or in Drawing. Books and stationery being furnished at actual cost.

The regulations, respecting the time of payment, manner and times of admission of scholars, &c., which have been transmitted to the subordinate meetings heretofore, we again append to this report; and we desire that the attention of our several Monthly Meetings may be particularly called to the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting in the year 1855, which was made after much deliberation, and is as follows, viz.:

"That Monthly Meetings take care, by committees, that suitable inquiries be made as to the fitness of scholars, proposing to enter the school, belonging to their respective Meetings; and to such as said committees shall approve, to give certificates; which certificates shall be required by the School Committee, in order for admission."

It is very desirable that this conclusion of the Yearly Meeting should be strictly complied with, as we believe the best interests of the school require such compliance.

In conclusion, we commend the Institution to the continued care and concern of the Yearly Meeting.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee.
STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk."

Providence, 5th month, 10th, 1859.

Regulations referred to in the above report of the School Committee.

"As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the school, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received.

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the committee at their meetings to be held in the 3d and 9th months—as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At these meetings, applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting, will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars, will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the meeting of the committee in the 9th month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. And friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for admission of scholars into the school.

It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term; but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified, shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of children being admitted for the term, and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising to the Institution.

Application for admission into the school, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund, is to be made to the Principals.

Address JOSEPH CARTLAND,
Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, R. I."

From the Minutes of the Meeting;
SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

7mo 1859 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 7mo 28. 1859

The representatives appointed to attend this Meeting - from New Bedford Wm Gifford Nathan Bowman Longplain Peter D Slade and Jabez Wood whom are present except one.

The Representatives to the Qr Meetg report they all attended.

Stock We are informed by the Quarterly Meeting that $200.- dolls is our proportion of Stock for that Meeting, which our Treasurer is directed to pay when the State of our Finances will admit.

At Sandwich Qr Meetg of Friends held at Falmouth 7m 7. 1859.

The representatives proposed that four hundred dollars be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, which was united with and our several Mo Meetgs are requested to forward their respective proportions of that sum to Matthew Howland our Treasurer.

New Bedford Mo Meetgs proportion is $200.- dolls 50% cts.

From the Minutes
Wm C Taber clerk

Extracts from the minutes of our last yearly Meeting, were recd and read, embracing the report of the Boarding School committee and advice

oardin relative to placing children at the
chool School. We appoint Mattw Howland Henry T Wood, Jabez Wood and Richard Davis a committee to make suitable enquiries as to the fitness of children who propose entering the school, and Parents are desired to make early application to the committee for certificates, which should be forwarded to Providence when application is made for admission into the School, which should be done for the winter term

7 m° 1859 by the first of the ninth month, and the committee are directed to present ~~to~~ any application that may be made for schollars to enjoy the priviledge of the charitable fund of that Institution,

We have received the usual number of Copies of the London printed Epistle for 1858 and of the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meetg, and appoint Wm G Wood John Wood jr Albert Wood Geo Kempton J Holmes jr and Joseph R Wing, to distribute the same among our member and report next Month.

att Charles R Tucker
clerk

8 m° 1859 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8 m° 25. 1859

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Rufus Shearman, George Howland jr — Longplain Elnathan E Delano and Jon^a Cowin, who are present.

The London Printed Epistle for 1858 has been read in this Meeting to our edification.

There not being any further business the Meeting then adjourned.

att Charles R Tucker Clerk

9 m° 1859 At New Bedford M° Meeting held 9 m° 22^d 1859.

The Representatives named to attend this meeting are, from New Bedford Alex Hillman Daniel Davis. Longplain Jos R Wing and Silas Delano who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

The Queries with Answers from our Preparative Meetgs to the 1. 2. & 10th have been read, from which a Summary

9 mo 1859 was approved and directed to be forwarded
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our
Representatives to which service we appoint
Edmund Gardner Danl Davis Jos Kempton and
Wm Gifford.

Our beloved friends Edward
Gove and his wife Elizabeth Gove, attended
Visit this Meeting, with certificates from Seabrook
from Mo Meeting expressive of unity with their
Ed & Eliz Ministry and present religious engagements,
Gove their company and Religious labors
have been acceptable to us. The clerk
is directed to furnish them with a
copy of this minute.

The following Communication was
received from the Overseers via NewBedford
Preparative Meet in relation to Joseph Tillinghast. whereupon
Jos we appoint Josiah Holmes Jr and Gideon
Tillinghast Wood to visit him on that Account and
report to a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting
We have to inform that Joseph
Tillinghast has for some time neglected
the attendance of our religious meetings,
and has joined himself with another
religious denomination.
NewBedford Edmund Gardner
9 Mo 14, 1859 Danl Davis
Wm Gifford
Overseers

The committee having the oversight
of Funerals and the care of burial
grounds, made the following report,
Committee which was acceptable to the Meeting,
on And the committee now under appointment
Funerals viz - Wm P Howland, C R Tucker Geo Howland Jr
&c Hy T Wood Danl Davis Ed Gardner, Jos Taber
Gidn Wood Jos S Tillinghast Richd Davis Josh Wing
Peter D Slade Jabez Wood John Wood, Ed G Dillingham
Wm R Taber Jos Kempton E E Delano Jona Cowin
J Holmes Jr & E W Howland, are continued
on that service for the ensuing year.
to report in the ninth month next.

9 M 1859

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee having the oversight of Funerals and care of burial grounds,

Report Report. That some of our number have attended all the funerals where the care of Friends has been desired, which have been held within our limits during the year.

There has been no change in our grounds in relation to Monuments since our last report.

On behalf of the Committee
Wm P Howland
Jireh Wood

New Bedford
9 Mo 20. 1859

Note -, we learn that one funeral, of an infant child was not attended by any one of the Committee

Com on Elders The subject of making an addition to the members of our Select Meeting being brought before us, we appoint Wm C Taber Geo Howland Jr Rufus Shearman Daniel Davis Chs R Tucker Ty T Wood Jos Davis Wm P Howland and Edward G Dillingham to unite with a similar Committee of women friends - and as way may open for it to present to this Meeting the names of such friends for the station of Elders, as may in their judgment be qualified for that appointment.

The Committee appointed in the 7th Month to distribute documents, report they have attended to the service.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

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10 Mo 1859 At New Bedford Mo. Meety held 10 Mo 27. 1859.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Nathan Bowman, Gideon Wood – Longplain Richard Davis and John Wood Jr who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meety report they all attended.

William Almy The following information being recd from the Overseers, via New Bedford Preparative Meety, we appoint Seth K Akin and Jewell Tripp to visit Wm Almy on acct of his deviation in Marriage, and report at a future Meeting.

We are informed that Wm Almy has married out of the order of our Society with one not in Membership with us.

New Bedford
10 Mo 19. 1859.

Danl Davis
Wm Gifford Overseers

Apollas Anthony The following communication with the enclosed complaint was recd from Raisin Mo Meety Michigan. We appoint Jabez Wood and Wm C Taber to visit Apollas Anthony on acct of his departure in Marriage, and report at a future Meeting.

Letter To New Bedford Mo Meety of Friends State of Massachusetts.

Dear Friends

The within complaint was presented to this Meety against Apollas Anthony, but as he resides within the limits of New Bedford Mo Meety, the Correspondent is directed to forward it, and request that Meety to take the necessary care in the case, and inform us of the result.

By direction of Raisin Mo Meety of Friends State of Michigan held 8 Mo 10. 1859.

Peleg C Haviland Correspondent

Complaint To Raisin Mo Meety of Friends.

These will inform that Apollas Anthony has accomplished his marriage with one not in Membership with Friends.

8 Mo 3 1859.

Joseph Underwood
John French Overseers

10 Mo 1859

appointment Jos Kempton Ch R Tucker & Jabez Wood to the Station of Elders

The committee appointed in the ninth Month upon the Subject of Elders report, that they have given attention to the appointment, and are united in ~~the~~ proposing the names of Joseph Kempton, Chas R Tucker and Jabez Wood to fill that Station, which being seperately considered were united with by this Meetg and having the concurrence of the women, the clerk is directed to forward this information to the Quarterly Meetg for its approval.

Eliza C Davis & Anna G Wood Elders

We unite with the womens Meetg in the appointment of Eliza C Davis and Anna G Wood to the Station of Elders.

committee released

The committee upon the subject of Elders are released from further service.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk.

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11 Mo 1859

At New Bedford Mo Meetg held 11 Mo 24. 1859.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Henry T Wood, James M Tripp. Long plain John Wood and Wm Bradford, who are present.

The Queries with Answers to the 1. 2. & 10th have been read in this meeting from which a Summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, we appoint Henry T Wood Marlboro' Bradford, Josiah Holmes Jr and Seth R Akin to attend as our Representatives.

Wm R Taber requests certificate

William R Taber requests a removal certificate to Scipio Mo Meetg for himself and wife Mary D. with their minor children Mary F. Susan J. and Benja F. Taber. We appoint Elnathan E Delano and Edw Dillingham to unite with a similar committee of women friends in extending the necessary care in the case, and report first month.

11 Mo 1859 The following information being received from Greenfield Mo Meety Indiana, in relation to Elias Knowles - the same was considered and united with by us and the womens Meeting, and he is retained a member of our religious Society. The clerk is directed to request that meeting to give him this information, and report to us when accomplished.

Elias Knowles Retained

"To New Bedford Mo Meeting of Friends
Dear Friends

The committee appointed at our last Meeting to visit Elias Knowles on the account of your request, now report, that they found him possessing a friendly feeling towards Friends, and desirous to maintain his right in our society.

From the minutes of Greenfield Mo Meety of Friends held 10 Mo 15, 1859
Enoch Moon } Allen Jay Clerk
Correspondent } "

E Knowles Removed

Elias Knowles having removed to reside within the limits of Greenfield Mo Meety Indiana, we appoint Henry T Wood and Wm Gifford to prepare a removal certificate for him to that Mo Meety if nothing appears to prevent, and report next month.

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

12 Mo 1859 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 12 Mo 22d 1859.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New-Bedford Saml Rodman Benjn Fulton Longstreth Richard Davis and Peter Q Hoode - who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended.

1859

Removal Wm R Faber and Family

A removal certificate to Scipio Mo Meeting on behalf of William R Faber, also his wife Mary L, and their minor Children viz Mary S, Susan F and Benj F Faber, is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Eliza Brown Removes

A removal certificate to Greenfield Mo Meeting on behalf of Eliza Brown is approved in which the women concur.

Wm Almy retained

The committee appointed in the 10 Mo to visit Wm Almy on acct of his deviation in marriage, presented the following Report and communication, which being read and considered were accepted, and with the unity of women friends he is retained in membership with us. Josiah Holmes Jr is appointed to inform him thereof.

Report

To the Mo Meety

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Wm Almy on acct of his deviation in marriage, he was aware that he had broken one of the rules of Society, yet he had a desire to retain his right of Membership, which we submit to the meeting.

New Bedford 12 Mo 19. 1859.
Seth R Akin
Jane W Tripp

To New Bedford Mo Meety
Dear Friends

I am aware that I have departed from the good order of our Society, in marrying one who is not a Member, which I desire friends to overlook, and retain me a Member.

12 Mo 19. 1859. William Almy

Jos. Tillinghast disowned

The committee appointed in the 9th month to visit Joseph Tillinghast presented the following report, which being considered was accepted, and having the concurrence of the women we disown him as a Member of

12mo 1859. a religious Society, he having withdrawn from us and united himself with another religious denomination, and Gideon Wood is named to inform him hereof.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting

Report Agreeable to our appointment we have had an interview with Joseph Tillinghast relative to his non attendance of our religious meetings, he received us kindly and appeared well disposed towards friends, but expressed a decided choice for the meetings of another Society to which he is joined in membership.

Joseph Holmes Jr
Gideon Wood
12mo 22d 1859.

We appoint Matthew Howland Wm P Howland and Wm Gifford, and Gideon Wood to examine and settle the accounts with the Treasurer of this Meeting, and propose the name of a

Auditors friend for Treasurer, and a sum sufficient to be raised for the services of this Meeting the ensuing year, and also to audit the accounts of the several Treasrs funds, which are under the direction of this Meeting, and report next Month.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

1860
1mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 26. 1860,

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Joseph Taber Abm Barker Longplain Leml Macomber and Edw W Dillingham who are present except one.

The friend named last month

William to inform William Almy of the

Almy conclusion of this Meeting in his case, reports the service has been performed.

Jos Gideon Wood reports that he

Tillinghast has informed Joseph Tillinghast of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case.

1Mo 1860

Tim^o Davis — Timothy Davis requests a removal certificate to Starksboro Mo Meeting Vermont, we appoint Edw^d Y. Dellingham and Richard Davis, to take the usual care in the case and report to a future Meeting.

[illegible] Family — A removal certificate from Dartm^o Monthly Meeting on behalf of James Almy, his wife Ruth, and their minor children Jacob and Sophia is accepted having the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

Philip S. & W^m J. Shearman — The committee appointed in the 2 month to visit Philip S. Shearman and William J Shearman, have submitted the following report, which being read and considered was united with, They having withdrawn from us and united themselves ~~to~~ with another religious denomination — we now release them as members of our religious Society, the womens Meeting concurring herein, Josiah Holmes Jr is named to inform them of this conclusion,

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to visit Philip S. and William J Shearman on acc^t of their non attendance of our religious Meetings, report that two of their number have had several interviews with them. They express themselves satisfied with having associated with another religious denomination, and give no encouragement of attending our Meetings in future,

On behalf of the committee
William P Howland
New Bedford Josiah Holmes Jr
1Mo 26. 1860

1 M^o 1860 The committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and for other purposes, made the following
Auditors report. Which being considered was
Report accepted, and in accordance therewith Henry F Wood is appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the ensuing year and we appoint Jonathan Cowin, Seth R. Atkin, Jas M Tripp, Albert Wood, Josiah Holmes and Jos Kempton to receive the subscriptions of friends for the am^o proposed to be raised $ 375.- dolls, pay the same to the Treasurer and report when accomplished.

We appoint William C Taber, Henry F Wood, Ed W Howland, William Gifford
Educational and George Howland Jr to unite with a
Fund similar committee of women friends in making distribution of the income from the charitable fund left to this meeting by A Shearman Jr.

We appoint Joseph Taber, George
Charitable Howland Jr Rich^d Davis, Ed G Dillingham
Fund and Chas R Tucker to have the disposal of the income from the Educational fund left by our dear friend A S Jr, for the ensuing year.

The time for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, we appoint Daniel Davis
Overseers Edmund Gardner, William Gifford,
appointed overseers in New Bedford Preparative Meeting, and John Wood, Richard Davis and Joseph Kempton overseers in Longplain Preparative Meeting for the ensuing year.

Report

The committee named last month to examine and settle the Treasurers
Report accounts and to perform other duties assigned them, Report they have attended to their appointment, and find upon examination that the expenses of this meeting have been the past year $ 397.- our proportion

1 Mo 1860 of the Quarterly Meeting Stock $150.– the balance $247. has all been expended towards the support of the Poor belonging to this Meeting, leaving Fourteen & 31/100 dollars due the Treas.

We would recommend that the sum of $375. be raised for the use of this Meeting the present year, and Henry T Wood be appointed Treasurer.

Auditors Report.

We have also examined the accts of the Trustees of the estate of John West. and find they have recd the past year for Dividends on Bank Stock $350.– one years interest on B Austins Note $60. which with the balc in hand last year $249.08 makes a sum total $659.08 which has been disbursed as follows paid Taxes $56.92– 102 donations for charity $511– showing a balance on hand of $91.16.

We have also ascertained from the acct of the Committee in charge of the school fund, that they have paid one term schooling each for three children in Friends School at Providence, and a term and a half in the same school for another Member of this Meeting. leaving a balance on hand of Five & 34/100 Dollars.

By the accounts of the Committee having charge of the charitable fund, it appears that the dividend from Bank Stock was $105. and they have distributed $145. among 25 different persons, leaving a balance on hand of Eleven dollars.

In conclusion we would say that the friends having charge of the different funds under the direction of this Meeting appear to have distributed impartially and in a judicious manner the income that has come into their hands, in accordance with the intentions of the donors.

New Bedford
1 Mo 20. 1860

William Gifford
William P Howland
Jabez Wood
Matthew Howland

2 Mo 1860 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held
2 Mo 23 1860

The Representatives appointed
to attend this Meeting are from
New Bedford Henry T Wood Wm Gifford
Longplain John Wood and Richard Davis.
Who are present except one, for whose
absence a reason was assigned,

We are informed by the Overseers
through Longplain Preparative Meeting
James S that James S Macomber has married
Macomber out of the order of our Religious Society
and we appoint Edw W Dillingham
and Peter D Slade to visit him on
that acct and report at a future
Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting
From the James S Macomber has married
Overseers out of the order of our Religious Society
with one not in membership with us.
2 Mo 15. 1860 Joseph Kempton
Richd Davis } Overseers

Philip S The friend named last month to
and inform Philip S and William J
Wm J Shearman of the conclusion in their
Shearman case, Reports that he has performed
the service.

A written declaration of the intentions
of Marriage of Wm C Taber and Rhoda
Wm C Taber Howland was received and read, and
and due notice taken thereof - Wm P Howland
Rhoda Howland and Chas R Tucker are appointed to
make the usual enquiries in relation
to William C Tabers clearness to proceed
therein, and report next month.

A removal certificate on behalf
Timo of Timothy Davis to Starksboro Mo
Davis Meeting Vermont, is approved with
the concurrence of the womens
Meeting.

2 Mo 1860 A declaration in writing of the
intentions of marriage of Albert Wood
A Wood and Elizabeth G Rempton was rec^d and
and read, and due notice taken thereof,
Eliz G we appoint David Shove and Joseph R
Rempton Wing to make the usual enquiries
respecting Albert Wood's clearness to
proceed therein and report next month.

Witness Charles R Tucker }
Clerk }

3 Mo 1860 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 Mo 22
1860.
The Representatives named to attend
this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm P
Howland, Rufus Shearman ~~Long~~plain Jon^a
Cowin and Silas Delano, who are
present.
The time for which Clerks of this
Meeting were appointed having expired.
Clerks Charles R Tucker is appointed Clerk and
Matthew Howland assistant, for the year
ensuing or untill another appointment.

The Queries with ans have been
read in this Meeting, from which a
Summary was approved and directed
to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr
Meeting. We have appointed Henry
T Wood, Edw G Dillingham, Elnathan E
Delano, Rich^d Davis and Chs R Tucker
to attend that Meeting as our Represen-
tatives.
The committee appointed in the
Treasurers first Month to receive the Subscriptions
Receipt of friends for the use of this Meeting,
presented the Treasurers Receipt for
$375. the am^o proposed to be raised.

Our proportion of Qr Meeting Stock
Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that
Meeting.

3 Mo 1860 — Wm C Taber and Rhoda Howland — William C Taber and Rhoda Howland having at our last Mo Meeting, made a declaration in writing of their intentions of marriage, and now appearing clear to proceed therein, - are allowed to solemnize their said marriage according to the established order of our Religious Society, we appoint Chas R Tucker and Wm Gifford to have the oversight thereof, and report to this Meeting when accomplished.

Albert Wood and E G Kempton — Albert Wood and Elizabeth G Kempton having at our last Mo Meetg made a declaration in writing of their intentions of marriage, and having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize their said marriage after the established order of our religious society, we appoint Philip Anthony and Joseph R Wing to have the oversight thereof and report to this Meeting when accomplished.

Recorders — The time for which the Recorders of this Meetg were appointed having expired, we appoint Matthew Howland Recorder and Richd Davis and Albert Wood assistant Recorders of this Meetg for the ensuing year or untill another appointment.

attd Charles R Tucker Clerk

4 Mo 1860 — At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 Mo 26. 1860.

The representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Samuel Rodman William Gifford, Longplain David Shove and Ed G Dillingham who are present except one.

A Wood and E G Kempton. — The committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Albert Wood and Elizabeth G Kempton, reported that the marriage had been accomplished in an orderly and becoming manner, and the certificate had been delivered to the Recorder.

4 Mo 1860 The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended.

Com to visit J F Tucker

The following information being recd from the overseers thro New Bedford Preparative Meeting in relation to the marriage of John F Tucker out of the order of our Society. we appoint Seth R Akin and Matthew Howland to visit him on that account and report at a future Meetg.

We are informed that John F Tucker has married out of the order of our Society with one not in Membership with us.

New Bedford
4 Mo 17. 1860

Danl Davis }
Wm Gifford } Overseers

Overseers of the Poor

The time for which the overseers of the poor of this Meeting having expired, we appoint Edmund Gardner Wm Gifford Geo Howland Jr John Wood Richard Davis and Seth R Akin to that Service for the Year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Memorial Committee

We appoint Wm C Taber Wm P Howland Hy T Wood and Elnathan E Delano. to unite with a Similar committee of women friends to collect the living services and dying Sayings of Ministers, elders and other friends, whose lives have been remarkable for true piety, as way may open therefor, and present such Memorials to this Meeting when accomplished.

Caroline Morgan late Taber

We unite with the womens Meeting in making a minute of disownment against Caroline Morgan late Taber.

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

5 Mo 1860 At New Bedford 5 Mo 24. 1860

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Abm Barker Seth K Akin, Longplain Albert Wood & Seth S Swift, who are present.

Wm C Taber & R Howland's marriage

The committee appointed in the third Month to have the oversight of the Marriage of Wm C Taber and Rhoda Howland, report that said Marriage had been accomplished in an orderly and becoming manner, and the certificate delo to the Recorder.

John F Tucker.

The com appointed last month to visit John F Tucker on account of his deviation in marriage, made the following Report, which being read was acceptable to the Meeting, and Matthew Howland is appointed to inform him that he is continued in Membership with us.

The committee appointed to visit John F Tucker on account of his deviation of Marriage, Report that he seems fully aware that he had violated the discipline in this respect, but was quite desireous that Friends should overlook it, and retain him a Member of our Religious Society, the Meetings of which, he expects to attend. Which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

New Bedford
5 Mo 22d 1860.

Seth K Akin
Matthew Howland

Scipio Mo Meetg.

We are informed by Scipio Monthly Meeting NewYork, that they have accepted our removal certificate on behalf of Wm R Taber and family.

Greenfield Mo Meetg

We are also informed by Greenfield Mo Meeting Indiana, that they have accepted our removal certificate on behalf of Elias Knowles.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

6 mo 1860

At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 mo 28. 1860.

The Representatives named to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Geo Howland jr Joseph Taber. Longplain Jono Cowin and Arnold G Tripp who are present.

L M Hoag and Saml Lloyd's visits

Our beloved friends Lindley M Hoag from Rocksylvania Mo Meeting Iowa, and Samuel Lloyd from Short Creek Mo Meeting Ohio, attended this Meeting and presented Satisfactory testimonials from their friends expressive of unity with them in their Ministry and present religious engagements. Their company and Religious labours have been acceptable to us.

Asa Williams

Our beloved friend Asa Williams an Elder from Goshen Mo Meeting ~~[illegible]~~ Ohio, companion to our friend Samuel Lloyd, attended this Meeting with a Satisfactory minute from his friends, His company and solid deportment have been acceptable to friends.

Hannah S. Fry's visit

Our beloved friend Hannah S Fry from Marlboro Mo Meeting Newyork attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from her Mo Meetg indorsed by Cornwall Qr Meeting. Her company and Religious labours have been acceptable to us.

L M and M M Ferris

Our friends Lindley M and Mary M Ferris who accompany Hannah S Fry on her religious visit, attended this meeting, with a Minute of concurrence from Cornwall Qr Metg N York. Their company & Christian deportment have been acceptable to this Meeting.

The clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with copies of this minute so far as it relates to each respectively.

6 Mo 1860 The friend named last Month to inform John F Tucker that he had been continued in membership reports that he has attended to the appointment.

Queries The Queries have been read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2. & 10th. from which a Summary was approved, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Meeting by our Representatives, to which service we appoint Henry F Wood Edw G Dillingham Elnathan E Delano and Wm C Taber,

We unite with the womens Mtg in granting the request of Alethea Davis by receiving her into membership with us.

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

7 Mo 1860 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 7 Mo 26. 1860.

The representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New-Bedford Edw W Howland Danl Davis Longplain Albert Wood and Thomas H Howland who are present.

The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Mtg.

James S. Macomber retained The committee appointed in the 2d Month to visit James S Macomber on account of his deviation in marriage made the following report, which being considered was accepted, and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we retain him in memberships with us, and Peter D Slade is appointed to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Mtg

Report. Agreeable to our appointment we have visited James S. Macomber on account of his deviation in marriage to good satisfaction, he appears to be sensible of having deviated from the good order of our discipline, and appears desireous of retaining his

7 Mo 1860 right of membership, which we submit to the judgement of the Meeting.

Acushnet
7 m 24. 1860

Peter D Slade
Ed G. Dillingham

Qr Meetg stock

We are informed by the following minute from Sandwich Qr Meetg that our proportion of Stock called for by that Meetg is $200.- dolls. which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer when in funds.

At Sandwich Qr Meeting 7 Mo 1860. It is concluded to raise four hundred dollars for the use of this Meetg the ensuing year, and our several Mo Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportions of that sum to our Treasurer.

NewBedford Mo Meetgs proportion is fifty per cent. $200.- dolls.

from the minutes
Wm C Taber clerk

Abner Pease Bequest

This Meeting being informed through Longplain Preparative Meeting, that our friend Abner Pease late of Fairhaven deceased, did by will make certain bequests for the benefit and use of Longplain Preparative Meeting, we appoint George Howland Jr Chas. R. Tucker Ed W Howland and Wm C Taber, to make suitable enquiries relating thereto, and after due consideration of the case report to this Meeting.

7 Mo 1860 Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting are received, embracing the report of the Boarding School committee, and a minute adopted by that Meeting in relation to liberating friends to travel in the Ministry, and also a minute of salutary and encouraging advice to friends on account of the deficiencies that were reported in the answers to the Queries. We appoint Matthew Howland Hy T. Wood, Jabez Wood and Richard Davis a committee to make suitable enquiries respecting the fitness of children who propose to enter the school, and parents are requested to make early application to this committee for certificates to be forwarded to the School Committee at Providence, when application is made for the admission of schollars.

Yearly Meeting Extracts

We have received 230 copies of the London printed Epistle for 1859, with the usual number of copies of the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, and appoint Rufus Shearman Gideon Wood, Seth K Akin, John Wood Jr, Edw G Dillingham Richard Davis and Josiah Holmes Jr to distribute the same among our members and report next Month.

London Epistles &c

The London printed Epistle for 1859 has been read in this meeting to our edification and acceptance.

Copy of items from the will of Abner Pease.

In the first place I give and dispose the use and improvement of my farm or land lying in the south part of Rochester in the county of Plymouth which I had by deeds and will from my father Theophelus Pease in the following manner that is the west part of said farm to the overseers of the Friends Long Plain Preparatory Meeting and their successors in office in trust, for the benifit of the Friends Meeting house and Society situate near the dwelling house of the late Jonathan Cowen, deceased, in said Rochester, The said West part

7 Mo 1860 of said farm is bounded as follows, viz;
beginning at the north east corner of William
Nye's lot of land formerly called the
Items Procter lot at a stake and heap of stones
from thence west to Ebenezer Randalls land thence
Abner north to Hillers line, thence east fifty seven
Pease rods, thence south to the first mentioned
will bound containing about twenty acres,

Item. I give after the decease of my said wife or when she ceases to be my widow to the Overseers of the Long Plain Friends Preparatory Meeting and their successors in that office in trust forever, the remainder of my personal estate not otherwise disposed of, the income of which to be appropriated for the benefit of the Friends Meetings in said Fairhaven and Rochester.

Taken from a copy of the will of Abner Pease late of Fairhaven. Attest,
Mattapoisett, 7mo 26. 1860. Josiah Holmes Jr.

attest. Charles R. Tucker clerk

8 Mo 1860 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 23rd 1860

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are, from New Bedford; Gideon Wood Jas. M. Tripp; Long Plain, Richard Davis, Jonathan Cowen, who were present.

Henry D Swift The committee appointed in the fifth month 1859, to visit Henry D. Swift, made the following report, which being read and considered, was accepted, and the committee now under appointment namely; Chas. R. Tucker and Henry T. Wood, are desired to extend further care in the case, and report to this meeting

Report.

To the Monthly Meeting; The committee appointed in the case of Henry D. Swift report — That we have had several interviews with him relative to his joining another religious Society, and to his right of membership with us.

8 M° 1860 He evinced a thoughtful and religious frame of mind, and manifested a regard for Friends and some attachment to our principles, and although the case is one of pretty long standing and we are yet unable to report a satisfactory conclusion of our labor we are united in the belief that further care, on the part of Friends may still be profitably extended.

Signed Chas R. Tucker
Henry T. Wood

8th Mo 17 1860

Rufus Sherman

Our friend Rufus Sherman informed this meeting, that he felt willing to accompany Lemuel Gifford of Sandwich Monthly Meeting on a religious visit within the limits of Falmouth Vassalboro & Fairfield quarterly meetings, which being united with he was encouraged to proceed therein; and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Abner Pease Estate

The Committee appointed last month to make suitable enquiries respecting certain bequests made by Abner Pease, late of Fairhaven, deceased, in his last will & testament for the benefit & use of the meeting at Rochester and Long Plain preparative meeting, have made the following report, which being considered was accepted; and this meeting now accepts the trusts specified in the will of said Abner Pease, and hereby directs the overseers, viz, Danl Davis Edmund Gardner, Wm Gifford, John Wood Richd Davis & Jos Kempton to call upon the executors of the late Abner Pease, and inform them that they are overseers of New Bedford Monthly Meeting, and are duly authorized to receive all that portion of the estate of said Pease, donated in trust for the use of the meetings aforesaid, and give the said executors a full release for said property conveyed.

And when the said overseers shall have received the said trust property, they shall hold the same and appropriate the income thereof agreeably to the will

8 mo 1860 of the donor.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Report on Estate of Abner Pease

The committee to whom was referred the consideration of the bequests made by the late Abner Pease to the meeting at Rochester and to Long Plain Preparative meeting, have given attention thereto, and have obtained a legal opinion in relation to the proper conveyance of them, which they herewith present. And while the committee are sensible that the proper management and disposition of this property must bring a great burthen upon Friends, yet under the circumstances of the case they would nevertheless recommend that the meeting accept the trust and direct the overseers of this monthly meeting to receive and hold the property in accordance with the will of the donor for the use of the meetings of Friends of Rochester and of Long Plain Preparative meeting respectively, and that the overseers be authorized to give a legal release to the Trustees or Executors of Abner Pease for the property conveyed.

They would also propose that a copy of the items in the will conveying the bequests together with the legal opinion be entered on the minutes of the monthly meeting, and that a copy of the schedule of the property conveyed be also entered on the minutes of the monthly Meeting whenever the conveyance may be made in order that the monthly meeting may exercise that care over it required by our discipline

New Bedford. 8 mo 22. 1860

Signed Wm. C. Taber
Chs. R. Tucker
Geo. Howland Jr.
Commee

8 M° 1860

Opinion of Thos. D. Eliot.

I have examined the accompanying extract from the Will of Abner Pease for the purpose of replying to the following questions

1st To whom must the bequest and legacy be conveyed?
2d What action if any ought to be taken by the meeting?

Opinion

The first devise which gives an interest in the west part of the testators farm does not require any conveyance.

Opinion of T. D. Eliot

The will itself operates as a conveyance and the Estate devised would belong from and after the decease of Abner Pease to the overseers of the monthly meeting intended to be named as Trustees.

The second bequest is of personal property and that should be conveyed by the executors to the parties who are entitled to receive it.

The language used by Mr Pease in describing the Trustees is as follows: "to the overseers of the Long Plain Friends Preparatory meeting and their successors in office." The language used in describing the parties to be benefitted by the Real Estate is different from that used in describing the parties to be benefitted by the personal property.

In the first case the parties named are "the Friends meeting house & society situate near the dwelling house of the late Jonathan Cowen." In the last case the parties named are "the Friends Meetings in said Fairhaven & Rochester". There is no body of men or officers known as the overseers of the Long Plain Friends preparatory meeting.

The Long Plain preparative meeting consists of Friends belonging to the Long Plain, Acushnet, Fairhaven and Rochester meetings for worship and it is one of the preparative meetings of which the New Bedford Monthly Meeting

8m° 1860 is composed. By the discipline of Friends containing the rules regulating their ecclesiastical action, it is provided that each Monthly Meeting choose two or more "men Friends, and two or more women friends to be overseers in each preparative meeting, which overseers are to render an account of their service to the monthly meeting at least once a quarter, and to be annually appointed or rechosen.

The overseers in these preparative meetings are known as overseers of the monthly meeting and by the provisions of law (General Statutes Chap 32. Sec 8) "the overseers of each monthly meeting shall be a body corporate for the purpose of taking and holding in succession grants and donations of real and personal estate made to the use of such meeting or to the use of any preparative meeting belonging thereto." The bequests now under consideration were made to the use of the meeting in Rochester, and to the use of the meetings in Fairhaven and Rochester all of which are subordinate and accountable to the New Bedford monthly meeting.

I have no doubt therefore that the parties to whom this property is to be conveyed are the overseers of the New Bedford Monthly meeting and the conveyance should state that it is made to them and their successors in office to the use of the Friends meetings in Fairhaven & Rochester.

The Executors would not be safe in conveying the property to the persons who might happen to be overseers in Long Plain preparative meeting, but should convey to the body of which those overseers compose a part. It will then be the duty of the Monthly meeting to see that the gifts are "applied to the uses intended by the donors."

As to the manner in which this bequest should be received and managed; I would recommend that a schedule of the whole should be made, upon which the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting may put their receipt

8 mo. 1860 of the property for the benefit of the Friends Meetings in Fairhaven & Rochester, according to the provisions of the will of Abner Pease.

Then a copy of that schedule should be entered on the books of the Monthly Meeting and an account opened to show the receipt and disposition of the income.

The stocks should be transferred upon the Books of the Corporations to the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting Trustees under the will of Abner Pease

New Bedford } Signed T. D. Eliot
Augt 3. 1860 }

Attest Charles R Tucker clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 mo 27th 1860 — The clerk being absent, Matthew Howland was appointed clerk and Gideon Wood assistant clerk for the day

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford George Howland Jr and Seth R. Aiken — Longplain Joseph R. Wing and Elnathan E. Delano who are all present —

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers to the 1st 2d & 10th from one of our Preparative Meetings, which were modified, approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, to which service we appoint Edmund Gardner, John Wood, Henry T. Wood and Richard Davis —

Mary Shove Liberated — Our beloved friend Mary Shove expressed in this Meeting a concern she had felt for some time to attend in Gospel love the Yearly Meeting of Baltimore, also to perform some Religious service going and returning as Truth may open the way, which being considered and united with by this Meeting, she was left at liberty to proceed herein, she being a minister in unity with us, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Women's meeting in furnishing her with a Certificate to this effect —

9th mo 1860 Our friend Rufus Shearman returned
to this Meeting the Minute granted him last month
R Shearman (to accompany Samuel Gifford on a religious visit) with
Returns satisfactory testimonials from Vassalboro Quarterly
Minute and Monthly Meetings and from Dover, Falmouth
and Fairfield Quarterly Meetings respectively.

The Committee appointed in 10th mo
1859 to visit Apollos Anthony on account of
Apollos complaint from Raisin Monthly Meeting, State
Anthony of Michigan made the following Report which
is accepted and directed to be forwarded to
that Monthly Meeting by the Clerk.-

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to visit Apollos
Anthony report that they had had several
interviews with him on account of the complaint
brought against him but were not prepared to
make a final report when he was taken sick
and died on the 29th of 7th mo last

William C. Taber
New Bedford 9 mo 27th 1860 — Jabez Wood

By a complaint received from the Overseers through
Wm C. Taber Jr New Bedford Preparative Meeting, we are informed
that William C. Taber Jr has married contrary to
the order of our religious Society with one who is not
a member- we appoint Seth K. Akin & Matthew
Howland to visit him on this account and report
at a future Meeting-

A Removal certificate from New York Monthly
Certificate Meeting on behalf of Henry T. and William K. Wood infant
for sons of the late George & Elizth K. Wood is accepted the
Henry and Women's Meeting concurring herein and the clerk is directed
Wm Wood to acknowledge the receipt of the same

The friend named in the 7th mo last
to inform Jas. S. Macomber of the conclusion of this
Meeting in his case reports that he has informed him.-

Abner It is concluded that the Minute made
Pease last Month in reference to the Report of committee
on bequests of Abner Pease should be modified so
as to read that the Overseers may receive and hold
the Property in order that the Will of the donor may be
carried out —

attest Matthew Howland
clerk for the day.

10 m 1860 At New Bedford Mo Meety held 10 m 25. 1860

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Ezra Kelley. Rufus Shearman Longplain Joseph Kempton and Thomas Wood who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meety report they all attended.

Wm T. Swift

We are informed by the overseers via Longplain Preparative Meeting that William T. Swift has married out of the order of our Religious Society with one not in membership with us. We appoint Jabez Wood and Joseph Kempton to visit him on this acct and report at a future Meeting.

Com on Funerals &c-

The committee having the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial grounds made the following report- which being read was acceptable to the Meeting, and the friends now under appointment viz Wm P. Howland Ch. R. Tucker Geo. Howland Jr Hy T. Wood Danl Davis Edmund Gardner Jos. Taber Gidn Wood Jos. T. Tillinghast Richd Davis Jos. R. Wing Peter D Slade Jabez Wood John Wood Edwd G Dillingham, Jos Kempton E E Delano Jona Cowin J Holmes Jr and Edwd W Howland are continued on that service and are desired to report in the Ninth Month Next Year.

Eliz Peckham visit

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Peckham attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from South Kingston Mo Meety dated 6 m 25. 1860. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens Meeting in furnishing her with a copy of this minute,

Our friend Rufus Shearman presented to this meeting a returning minute from China Mo Meety expressive of unity with his visit which is agreeable to us.

Attest Charles R. Tucker clerk

10 Mo 1860 To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of funerals and the care of burial grounds, Report – That some of our number have, during the past year

Report attended all funerals of our own members and of those not of our society when the care of Friends has been requested.

Some care has also been taken of the burial grounds of Friends, and we believe they are now in comparatively good order and decently inclosed – In the interment of the dead and in the erection of head stones to mark the graves of the deceased, we think that, Friends have been in a good degree, careful to observe a becoming simplicity and moderation; no monuments other than those allowed by the discipline have been erected, during the year

For the Committee

10 Mo 24th 1860

Signed Jireh Holmes Jr.
Geo. Howland Jr.

11 Mo 1860 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 11 Mo 22d 1860.

The Friends named as Representatives are from New Bedford Wm Barker Geo Howland Jr – Longplain John Wood and Nich Davis, who are present except one.

The Queries with ans to the 1. 2. & 10. from our Preparative Meetings have been read, a summary of which approved and directed to be forwarded to the Qr Mtg, by our Representatives, to which service we appoint Edmund Gardner Gidn Wood Ezra Kelley and Benjn Anthony.

Removal Harriet W and Mary B Bowman — We unite with the Womens Mtg in the approval of a removal certificate to Scipio Mo Mtg, New York, on behalf of Harriet W and Mary B Bowman, daughters of Francis & Elizabeth Bowman.

The committee appointed in the

Report Committee of 7 Mo — 7th month to distribute documents, report the service has been performed.

11 Mo 1860 Our beloved friend Mary Shove returned to this Meeting a certificate furnished her in the Ninth Month to attend Baltimore Yearly Meeting and for other Service – She produced a returning minute from that Meeting, and informed friends that she had been enabled to perform the service which she apprehended required of her, much to the satisfaction and peace of her own mind. all of which is acceptable to this Meeting.

Mary Shove returns Minute

Memorials Having received 68 copies of printed Memorials of deceased friends, printed by direction of our last Yr Meeting- The Representatives to this Meeting Viz Abm Barker Geo Howland Jr John Wood and Richd Davis with the addition of Hy T Wood, are directed to distribute the same among our members.

The clerk is directed to cause to be inserted in all the Books of Discipline belonging to this Meeting, the change in our discipline adopted at our last Yr Meetg.

~~Attest~~ Charles R Tucker clerk.

12 Mo 1860 At New Bedford 12 Mo 27. 1860

The Representatives to this Meetg are, from N Bedford Saml Rodman Wm Gifford, Longplain Edwd G Dillingham & Peter D Slade, who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meetg report they all attended.

Auditors We appoint Abm Barker Gideon Wood, Wm Gifford and Jona Cowin, to examine & settle the Treasurers account, propose a sum necessary to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and the name of a friend for Treasurer, and also to audit the accts of the several Trust funds held under the direction of this Meeting, and report next month.

The committee appointed in the ninth month to visit Wm C Taber Jr on account of his deviation in Marriage, presented

12 Mo 1860 the following report, which being considered was accepted, and with the concurrence of
Wm C Taber Jr the Womens Meetg, we retain him in membership with us, and appoint Matth Howland to inform him hereof.

Jas Davis The friend named to inform James Davis that he is retained in membership reports, that he has performed that service.

Com on Overseers We appoint Wm C Taber Abm Barker Wm P Howland Jos R Wing David Shove and Geo Howland Jr a committee to consider of and present to this Meetg next month, the names of suitable friends to serve the meeting as overseers the ensuing year, as the annual appointment to that service will then expire.

Report.

To New Bedford Mo Meetg.

The committee appointed in the ninth month last to visit William C Taber Jr on acct of his deviation in marriage. Report,

That they have had an interview with him to a good degree of satisfaction. He expressed considerable regret at having given friends any trouble in this respect, and seemed quite desirous of retaining his right of membership with us, believing it would result to his advantage.

Which we Submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford   Seth R Akin
12 Mo 21. 1860.   Matth Howland

1 Mo 1861 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 1 Mo 24. 1861.

The Representatives named to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber Daniel Davis Longplain Albert Wood & Jona Cowin who are present except one, who is detained from being present by ill health as we are informed.

1 Mo 1861 The committee appointed last Month to
examin & settle the Treasurers accounts and
for Other purposes, presented the following
Report, which being read and considered
was acceptable to the Meeting, and in
accordance therewith Henry T Wood is
appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for
the year ensuing and we appoint Peleg
Howland Rufus Shearman John Wood Jos R Wing
Auditors Jabez Wood B Franklin Howland & Gideon Wood
Report to receive the subscriptions of friends to the
amount of three hundred twenty five dollars
for the use of this Meeting, and produce
the Treasurers receipt for the same when
accomplished.

We appoint Wm C Taber Hy T Wood
Edw W Howland Wm Gifford & Geo Howland Jr
Charitable to unite with a like Committee of Women friends
fund in distributing the annual income from
the Charitable fund left by our dear
friend Abm Shearman Jr deceased.

We appoint Jos Taber Geo Howland Jr
Educational Richd Davis Ed G Dillingham & Chs R Tucker to
Fund have the disposal of the income from the
Educational fund left by the above named
friend.

The committee appointed last month
to present to this Meeting the names of
Suitable friends to serve as Overseers the
ensuing year, proposed the following
names "to wit" William Gifford Matthew
Overseers Howland and Henry T Wood in New Bedford
Preparative Meeting, and Joseph Kempton
Richd Davis and John Wood in Longplain
Preparative Meeting - whose names being
united with, they are appointed Overseers
of this Monthly Meeting for the ensuing
year or untill another appointment.

Edmund Gardner and Daniel Davis who
for many years acceptably served this Meetg
as Overseers were released at their own
request.

The friend named last Mo reports that
W C Taber Jr he has informed Wm C Taber Jr with the
conclusion of this Meeting in his case.

1 Mo 1861 We unite with the womens Meeting in accepting a request from Lucretia G Chase late Gifford to be retained a member of our religious Society, she having married contrary to our established order with one who is not a member.

Lucretia G Chase

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to examine and settle the Treasurers account and the accounts of the several trust funds under the care of this meeting. Report

Report

That we have examined the account of the Trustees of John West's Estate and find it correct showing a balance in their hands of one hundred forty 96/100 dollars. There has been distributed from this fund during the year $323. in 77 donations of sums from one to ten dollars.

We have examined the account of the Trustees of the Educational fund of A Shearman jr and find it correct, with a balance in their hands of forty nine 34/100 dollars.

We have also examined the account of the Trustees of the Charitable fund from A Shearman jr and find it correct, and a balance remaining in their hands of thirty five dollars — they having distributed the past year from this fund 88 50/100 dollars to 19 persons. We have also audited the account of the Treasurer of this meeting finding it correct and vouched, and a balance in his hands of thirty four 69/100 dollars.

We would propose. that the sum of three hundred twenty five dollars be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year and also propose Henry T Wood for Treasurer.

New Bedford }
1st mo 21st 1861

Abm Barker
Wm Gifford
Jona Cowen
Gideon Wood.

att. Charles R Tucker
Clerk

2 Mo 1861 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 2 Mo 28. 1861.

The Representatives appointed to this Meeting- from New Bedford B Franklin Howland, Jos S Tillinghast Longplain Peter D Slade and David Shove, who are present.

Stock The Committee appointed last month to receive the Subscriptions of friends for the use of this Meeting have presented the receipt of the Treasurer for $325.- dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

Edwd W Greene Edward W Greene having requested a removal certificate to Greenwich Mo Meeting R I, we appoint Geo Howland Jr and Danl Davis to take the usual care in the case, and report next month.

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

3 Mo 1861 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 Mo 28. 1861

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Shearman, James M Tripp Longplain Jona Cowin & Silas Dilano. who are present except one.

The queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings have been read, a summary of which was adopted and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Mtg by our Representatives Joseph Taber Edmund Gardner Jos Kempton and Richd Davis,

Stock Our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Qr Meeting.

Seth G. Bowman We are informed by the following communication through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Seth G Bowman has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member. we appoint Rufus Shearman and Benjn Anthony to visit him on this acct and report to a future Meeting.

3 Mo 1861 To the Monthly Meeting

Seth G Bowman has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

New Bedford
3 Mo 18. 1861.

Wm Gifford
Matthew Howland
Hy T Wood
Overseers

Memorial of Jos Davis A Memorial on behalf of our late beloved friend Joseph Davis deceased, was read and approved by this and the womens Meeting, and directed to be signed by the clerks and forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

Edw W Greene A removal certificate to Greenwich Mo Meeting on behalf of Edw W Greene was approved with the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

Recorders The time for which the Recorders of this Meeting were appointed having expired, Matthew Howland is appointed Recorder, & Richd Davis and Albert Wood asst Recorders for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Susan Howlands Minute Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty Manner informed this Meeting that she had for several months felt it required of her to attend the approaching Yearly Meetgs of Philadelphia and New York. and ~~which~~ after a time of solid deliberation her prospect was fully and feelingly united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein under the guidance of best wisdom, she being a Minister in unity with us. The clerks are directed to furnish her with a Minute embracing the above and sign it on behalf of this Meeting.

Seth C. Bradford The following from Seth C Bradford to be received into membership, having been received at this time, we appoint Jos Kempton, Edw G Dillingham & Richd Davis to visit him on acct of said request & report at a future Meeting.

To New Bedford Mo Meeting.

Dear Friends

I have for a considerable length of time felt a wish to become a member of your religious society if I may be

3 mo 1861 found worthy.
Acushnet 3 mo 26. 1861. Seth C Bradford

Att. Charles R Tucker clerk.

4 mo 1861. At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 mo 25. 1861.

The representatives named to this Meeting are from New Bedford Edward W Howland Alex Hillman Longplain John Wood & John R Davis Jr who are present.

The time having expired for which the clerks of this Meeting were appointed, clerks the Representatives proposed Chas R Tucker for clerk and Matthew Howland for assistant clerk, which being united with by the Meeting, they are appointed to those stations for one year or untill another appointment.

The Representatives to the Q. Meetg report they all attended.

The committee appointed last Seth C. Bradford Month to visit Seth C Bradford made the following report, which being read and considered, we are united in receiving him into membership with us, the women concurring herein - Jabez Wood is named to inform him of this conclusion.

To the Mo Meetg

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Seth C Bradford on account of his request, and are united in judgement that it may be safe to receive him a member, which we submit,

Acushnet 4 mo 25. 1861.
Joseph Kempton
Ed G Dillingham
Richd Davis

We are informed by the Overseers Jos T Shearman through New Bedford Preparative Meetg that Jos T Shearman has married out of the order of our society - we appoint

4 Mo 1861 Joseph Taber and Dan^l Davis to visit him on that acct and report at a future Meetg.

The Committee appointed last Month to Seth G Bowman on acct of his deviation in Marriage presented the following report, which being considered and having the consent of the Womens Meetg, he is continued a member of our religious society, and Rufus Shearman is named to inform him hereof.

Seth G Bowman

To the Mo Meetg.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Seth G Bowman on acct of his deviation in marriage - He appears sensible that he has broken the rules of our discipline. but is desireous that friends would pass by his transgression and continue him a member. Which we submit to the Meetg.

New Bedford
4 mo 25. 1861.

Rufus Shearman
Benj^n Anthony

To the Mo Meeting

Joseph T Shearman has married out of the order of our society, with one who is not a member.

New Bedford
4 Mo 18. 1861

William Gifford
Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood
Overseers

Hannah McCaughtry

We unite with the womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate on behalf of Hannah McCaughtry Oswego Mo Meeting New York.

The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meetg were appointed having expired - Edmund Gardner W^m Gifford Geo Howland Jr. Seth R Akin John Wood Rich^d Davis and Taber Wood, are appointed to that service the year ensuing or till another appointment.

atts.

Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

5 Mo 1861 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 5 Mo 23. 1861.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Henry T Wood Nathan Bowman. Longplain Joseph Kempton and Thomas Wood who are present.

Thos H Howland and family

We are informed by Longplain Prept Meeting, that removal certificates are requested for Thomas H Howland and his wife Sarah, and also for Chas A Howland to Sandwich Mo Meeting, we appoint Richard Davis and Edward G Dillingham to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future Meeting.

Wm M Ellison and family

William M Ellison requests a removal certificate for himself, his wife Abby S. and minor Sons Asa S. and Edward H Ellison to Sandwich Mo Meeting - we appoint Rufus Sherman and Matthew Howland to extend the usual care in the case and report when ready.

Seth C. Bradford

The friend named last month to inform Seth C Bradford that he had been received into membership with us- reports that he has informed him.

Seth G. Bowman

Rufus Sherman was appointed last month to inform Seth G Bowman of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case reports that he has attended to it.

Scipio Mo Mtg

We are informed by Scipio Monthly Meeting that they had accepted a removal certificate from us, on behalf of Hannah W and Mary B Bowman.

Over

5 Mo 1861 Our esteemed friend Jabin Wood informed
this Meeting that he had a prospect of accompa-
Jabin nying our friend Susana Howland in the atten-
Wood -dance of New York Yearly Meeting - which being united
with, he was encouraged to proceed therein, being
an Elder in unity with us.

This Meeting unites with the women
in liberating our friend Lydia Congdon to
Lydia accompany her Sister Susan Howland on her
Congdon, religious visit to New York Yearly Meeting,
and the clerk is directed to unite with the
clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing
the above named friends with suitable
Minutes.

attest. Charles R. Tucker,
Clerk

6 month At New Bedford Mo Meeting held
6 Mo 27. 1861.

The Representatives appointed to
attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford
Abm Barker Danl Davis - Longplain
Arnold G Tripp and Ed G Dillingham, who
are present, except two - satisfactory reasons
were assigned for their absence.

The Queries were read with answers
Queries from our Preparative Meetings to the
1. 2. and 10.th A summary of which
was approved and directed to be forw-
-arded to the ensuing Quarterly Mtg
by our Representatives Rufus Shearman
Ed G Dillingham, Albert Wood and Jos
Taber.

Removal We have granted at this time
certificates Removal certificates directed to
for Wm M Sandwich Mo Meeting for the follow-
Ellison -ing friends "viz- one for Wm M. Ellison
+ family and his wife Abby S. and minor sons
Asa S and Edward H. Ellison.

Thos H. Howland One for Thomas H Howland and his
+ wife - wife Sarah.

Ch A Howland - And one for Chas A Howland. having
the concurrence of the Womens Meeting
in all of the above.

6 mo 1861

Hetty E Howland Rec. — This Meeting unites with the women in receiving Hetty E Howland wife of Abm H. into membership with us.

Mary Jane Howland — We unite with the womens Meeting in the approval of a removal certificate to Sandwich Mo Meeting in favor of Mary Jane Howland daughter of Thomas H.

Susan Howland Returns Minute — Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this Meeting a certificate furnished her in the 3d month, and informed friends that she had been enabled to attend the Yearly Meetings of Philadelphia and New-York. at the former she did not present her minute, acting under the advice of concerned friends of that Meeting, but found the way open to perform the service which she felt was required of her. At the latter Meeting her certificate was recd and read, and an evidence was from time to time felt, that she was performing that service which was required at her hands, and had been enabled to return in peace to her family and friends. ф ^which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

Lydia Congdon — Our friend Lydia Congdon returned the Minute furnished her last Month and informed friends that she attended New York Yearly Meeting in company with her sister, much to her satisfaction. ※

Jabez Wood — Jabez Wood returned the minute granted him last Month and informed the Meeting that he attended New York Yearly Meeting in company with Susan Howland to his own Comfort. ⊕

ф {She presented a returning minute from New York Yearly Meetg of Ministers and Elders-

※ {and presented a returning minute furnished her by New York Yr Meetg of Ministers & Elders.

⊕ {and presented a returning minute from the Meeting of Ministers & Elders.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

7mo 1861 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 25. 1861.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Joseph S Tillinghast Edmund Gardner Longplain Elnathan E Delano and Wm Bradford. who are present.

The representatives to the Qr Meetg report they all attended.

Jas. Robinson A removal certificate from Providence Mo Meetg is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting for James Robinson.

Having received from the overseers the following communication through New Bedford Preparative Meeting relating to Joseph A Gifford, we appoint Gideon Wood and Wm P Howland to treat with him, on the subjects therein named, and report to a future Meetg.

To the Mo Meetg

Jos A Gifford Committee Joseph A Gifford a member of this Meeting now residing in Boston, has married out of the order of our Society, with one not in profession with us. and has also become a member of another religious Society.

New Bedford
7mo 17. 1861

Wm Gifford
Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood
overseers

Committee Jas G Howland The overseers also inform this Meeting as follows, in relation to James G Howland, whereupon we appoint Wm Barker and George Howland Jr to treat with him on that account and report at a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting

The Overseers think it right to inform that James G Howland, having engaged in business beyond his ability to manage, his course therein has injuriously affected his own reputation, as well as that of society, and they beleive the case requires the care of Friends.

New Bedford
7mo 17. 1861

Wm Gifford Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood Overseers.

YEARLY MEETING, Sixth Month, 1861.

The Committee having charge of our Boarding School at Providence presented their Annual Report, which is satisfactory to us, and is as follows, viz:

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School, report: That for the Summer term of the School there were admitted 131 scholars, 72 males and 59 females; and for the Winter term, 119 scholars, 77 males and 42 females.

It will be remembered, that at our last Yearly Meeting verbal information was communicated relative to the occurrence, early in the Summer term, of severe sickness and death. At that time the number of scholars was very much reduced, but after the interval of a few weeks the greater part returned, reaching 109 of the former number, viz: 67 males and 42 females. As the statements made at that time were very minute, we would now simply inform that the sickness, so far as it respects the scarlet fever, was confined principally to the two cases that proved fatal.

We have continued to feel, from time to time, tender sympathy for the afflicted parents, with desires that He who bindeth up the broken-hearted may be their support and consolation. We trust that their great loss is gain to the dear departed children, and that these solemn events were sanctified to many. Amid the sore trials we passed through, we had cause humbly and gratefully to acknowledge an overruling Hand of Mercy.

Our friends, Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland, acceptably served the Institution, as Principals, until the close of the Summer term, when the impaired health of the latter rendered it necessary for them to resign their responsible trust. They were assisted by the following teachers, viz: John F. Rowell, Harriet C. Woodman, Elma Dame, and Lois Anna Greene, in the English branches; Henry K. Pinkham, in Mathematics; Robert Henry Duncan, in the Greek and Latin languages; Alphonse Renaud, in French and German; and Mary A. Potter, in Drawing.

At the close of the Summer term, eleven scholars, having completed the course of study, as prescribed by the rules of the School, were presented with duly authenticated diplomas of scholarship. This occasion was also marked by the termination of our official connection with Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland, who were instrumental in introducing this more extended and systematic course of instruction. For five years they faithfully and successfully served the Institution, and we recur to this period with much satisfaction, with desires that retirement and rest may restore our dear friend to health and continued usefulness.

Our former arrangements having proved satisfactory, it appeared desirable to continue the same or a similar plan. We were enabled to carry out our views in a modified form, by a contract entered into with Albert K. Smiley, who, with his wife, Eliza P. Smiley entered into an engagement to become the Principals and Superintendents.

The Winter term opened with the following as a Board of Instructors:—

Albert K. Smiley,
Eliza P. Smiley, } Principals.
Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal.
John F. Rowell,
Rufus Read,
Rebecca H. Smiley,
Ruth P. Nichols, } Teachers of English Branches.
Joseph W. Congdon, Assistant Teacher of Greek and Latin.
Dr. Lorenz Enders, Teacher of French and German.
Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the School House, on First day mornings, with a few exceptions, consequent upon the sickness in the summer. At that time, the scholars who remained availed themselves of the First day morning Meeting in the city, which they usually attend on the afternoon of that day, and in the middle of the week. The Meetings at the School House have been attended, in nearly every instance, by members of the committee or other Friends, and we trust they have been seasons of favor and of interest.

The health of the scholars for the past year, with the exceptions already referred to, has been remarkably good.

Instruction in the Holy Scriptures has formed a part of the regular school exercises, and a concern has been cherished to discharge our duty in every respect towards the youth committed to our care, in harmony with our religious profession, and in dependence upon His blessing, who is Head over all.

The accounts of the Institution having been audited, exhibit the following result for the past year:—

The receipts for tuition, &c., with $4,192 $\frac{35}{100}$ of the income from the Fund, have paid all the expenses of the establishment.

The remainder of the income has been expended for insurance and interest, and $1,653 $\frac{81}{100}$ towards the reduction of the debt, leaving the present indebtedness of the Institution, $1,500.

We propose that the terms of the School commence and continue as last year, and that the charges remain the same, viz.;—$40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting; $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or the scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such members; and $100 for any others, payable in advance.

That $5 additional charge continue to be made for instruction, either in the Ancient Languages, in French, or in Drawing, and that books and stationery be furnished at the same price as heretofore.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee,

GILBERT CONGDON, Clerk.

Providence, 5th month 7th, 1861.

REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

"As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the school, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received.

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the committee at their meetings to be held in the 3d and 9th months—as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At these meetings, applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting, will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars, will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the meeting of the committee in the 9th month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. And friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for admission of scholars into the school.

It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term; but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school, or to give the notice above specified, shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of children being admitted for the term, and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising to the Institution.

Application for admission into the school, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund, is to be made to the Principals.

Address Albert K. Smiley,
Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, R. I."

From the Minutes of the Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

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Meetings
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At the request of New Bedford Preparative Meeting the time for holding the first day afternoon meetings at New Bedford, is changed from four to seven and a half O.Clock till to continue untill after the Monthly Meeting in the Ninth month - with the concurrence of the Womens Meetg.

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tracts

We have received the following extracts from our last Yearly Meetg, which embrace the report of the Boarding School Committee, and a minute of advice addressed to its members, in relation to the present condition of our beloved country, and the temptations to which we are exposed, which being read were satisfactory to the Meetg.

We appoint Matthew Howland Henry T Wood John Wood & Richd Davis to make suitable enquiries respecting the fitness of Children about to enter the school and to furnish them with certificates directed to the principal to be presented when application is made for admission.

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We have received at this time 200 copies of the London printed Epistle for 1860. and 160 copies of an address from London Yearly Meeting to Friends in North America - the latter was read to our comfort - the reading of the former is refered to our next Meetg.

170 copies of the printed minutes of our last Yr Meeting and 80 copies of the minute addressed to its members have also been received - we appoint Wm G Wood. Hy T Wood Richd Davis John Wood Jr Albert Wood Rufus Shearman J Holmes Jr and Ezra Kelley to distribute the above documents among our members.

Charles R Tucker }
Clerk }

8 Mo 1861 At New Bedford Mo Meeting
held 8 Mo 22. 1861.

The representatives appointed to
attend this Meeting are from New
Bedford Alex Hillman Saml Rodman
Longfellow Jos Kempton and Richard
Davis, who are present except one.

We are informed by minute from
Qr Mtg Sandwich Quarterly Meeting that our
Stock proportion of Qr Meetg Stock is 81/75-
dolls, which our Treasurer is directed
to pay when the State of our funds
will admit.

We are informed by Sandwich
Mo Meeting that they had recd and
accepted our removal certificate for
Henry T William M Ellison & family.

and The friends named last month
Anna G to distribute documents report that
Wood the Service has been performed.

Minute Our friends Henry T Wood and
his wife Anna G. Wood informed this
Meeting that they believed it would
be right for them to accompany
our friend Elizabeth Meader of Providence
during a part or the whole of her
proposed religious visit to Ohio
Western and Indiana Yr Meetings,
and if way should open for it, to
Baltimore Yr Meetg. which being
considered was fully united with,
and they were liberated to proceed
therein, being members well esteemed
by us, and she an Elder in unity.

The clerk is directed to furnish
them with a copy of this Minute.

Charles R Tucker
Clerk

9 mo 1861 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held
9 mo 26. 1861,

The representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Jos Taber Nathan Bowman Longplain Marlboro Bradford and Peter D Slade who are present.

The queries have been read in this Meetg with ans to the 1. 2 & 10. th from our Preparative Meetings, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Qr Meeting by our representatives Geo Howland Jr Jos Kempton Josiah Holmes Jr and John Wood Jr.

William Gregg having requested
William a removal certificate to Dartmouth Mo
Gregg Meeting, we appoint Rufus Shearman and Wm C Taber to take the necessary care in the case and report next Month.

By request from New Bedford Preparative Meeting. it is concluded that our first
First day day afternoon Meetings at New Bedford,
afternoon in future commence from 4 mo 1. to 12 mo 1.
Meetings at 7½ O clock in the evening, from 12 mo 1. to 4 mo 1. at the 3d hour in the afternoon

We unite with the womens Meeting
Lydia A in the approval of a removal certificate
Ricketson to Dartmouth Mo Meeting on behalf of Lydia A Ricketson.

The committee appointed in the 10 mo 1860. to visit William T Swift on acct
Wm T of his deviation in Marriage, made the
Swift following, which being was united with, and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting, we disown him as a Member of our religious society and appoint Jabez Wood to inform him hereof.

Report.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Wm T Swift on acct of his deviation in Marriage. He received us kindly and manifested a respect for our religious society, but said that

9m 1861 he did not wish to retain his right of membership with us. Which we Submit to the Meeting.

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9m 23. 1861.

Joseph Kempton
Jabez Wood

London Epistle — The London Printed Epistle for 1860 has been read in this Meeting to our edification.

Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

10 Month — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10th mo 24th 1861

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Seth K. Akin. Rufus Shearman. Long Plain, Jonathan Cowing and Cornelius Macomber who are present with one exception.

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent, Matthew Howland was appointed Clerk for the day.

Our Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, they all attended.

Albert S. Paysons Visit — Our beloved friend Albert S. Payson attended this Meeting and produced a Certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting R.I. expressive of their unity in his prospect of paying a Religious visit to this Monthly Meeting and to the Island of Nantucket. His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us. The service of this Dear friend not yet being Accomplished in this Meeting a returning Minute for him is deferred to our next Monthly Meeting.

Committee on Funerals — The Committee having the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial grounds made the following Report which being read, was Acceptable to the Meeting and the friends now under appointment viz. Wm P. Howland, Chs. R. Tucker, George Howland Jr, Henry T. Wood, Daniel Davis, Edmund Gardner, Jos. Taber, Gideon Wood, Jos. S. Tillinghast, Richard Davis, Jos. R. Wing, Peter D. Slade, Jabez Wood, John Wood, Edward G. Dillingham, Jos. Kempton, E. E. Delano, Jonathan Cowing, J Holmes Jr, and Edwd W. Howland are continued in that service for the ensuing year and requested to report in 10 mo. next.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee having the oversight of funerals and care of Burial grounds, report — That they have given attention to their appointment; that some of their number have attended all the funerals of members of our Society, and of others, where their care was requested.

We believe the requirements of our Discipline for the past year, have been conformed to, in regard to Burial grounds.

For the Committee
New Bedford — Signed Geo. Howland Jr
10 mo. 21st 1861. — Gideon Wood.

Wm Gregg Removes — A Removal Certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William Gregg was read and approved with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting.

The friend named last month to inform William T. Swift of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case reports that he has informed him —

attest
Matthew Howland
clerk for the day.

11 Month. At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 11 mo 28 1861

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meetg are, from New Bedford George Howland jr Wm Gifford. Longplain John R Davis jr and Marlboro Bradford who are present.

Our beloved friend Edward Gove

Ed Gove's visit — attended this Meetg with a satisfactory certificate from Seabrook Mo Meeting dated 8 Mo 2. 1860 — his company and religious services have been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute.

The queries have been read in this Meeting with ans from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 & 10 th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Qr Meetg, and appoint Jos Taber Elnathan E Delano

11 Mo Rufus Shearman and Richd Davis our Representatives.

We are informed by Sandwich Mo
Sandwich Mo Mtg. Meeting that they have accepted removal certificates from us, on behalf Thomas H Howland and Wife Sarah, Mary Jane Howland and Chs. J Howland.

The clerk is directed to furnish Albert S Payson with a copy of the Minute
A S Payson made last month, and to add that he attended the Meetings constituting this to the satisfaction of friends.

Our beloved friend Rachael S Howland a minister in unity with us informed
R S Howland minute this Meetings that she desired liberty to visit as way may open for it a few Schools, Prisons, Hospitals and other Public Institutions, and to appoint a few Mtgs without the limits of this Qr Meeting. After a time of solid deliberation, her prospect was fully and feelingly united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein as best Wisdom may direct.

Our friends Henry T Wood & Wife Anna G Wood returned at this a minute
Hy T Wood & Wife return minute furnished them in the Ninth Month to accompany Elizabeth Meader on a religious visit - they produced returning Minutes from the Yearly Meetings of Ohio, Western, Indiana and Baltimore, and informed friends that the visit had been a satisfactory one to themselves, and they felt peaceful in having given up to this Service. all of which is satisfactory to us.

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Charles R Tucker
Clerk

12 Mo 1861

At New Bedford Mo Meetg held 12 Mo 26 1861

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Seth K Akin Benjn Anthony Longplain Peter D Slade and Wm Bradford who are present.

visit of John Page

Our beloved friend John Page attended this Meeting and presented a certificate from Weare Mo Mtg expressive of unity with him as a Minister, and with his present religious engagements, his company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

The Representatives to the Qr Meetg report they all attended.

Eliza M Cromwell

We unite with the womens Meetg in in the approval of a removal certificate for Eliza M Cromwell to Dartmouth Mo Meeting.

Jos T Shearman

The committee appointed in the fourth month to visit Joseph T Shearman on acct of his deviation in marriage made the following report, which being accepted by this and the womens Meetg, we retain him in membership with us. Henry T Wood is appointed to inform him of this conclusion.

Report

Report

Persuant to appointment we have visited Joseph T Shearman. He manifested a regard for the Society of friends, and we believe is sincerely desirous of being retained in membership with us.

To the Mo Meetg
12 Mo 25. 1861

Daniel Davis
Joseph Taber

Jas G Howland

The committee appointed in the Seventh month to labour with James G Howland on acct of the complaint against him, have made the following report, which being considered and with the concurrence of the Womens Meetg, we disown him as a member of our religious Society. Abm Barker is appointed to inform him hereof.

Report

To the Mo Meetg.

We your committee in the case

12 m° 1861 of James G Howland. Report. that we have given attention and careful investigation to the subject of our appointment.

Report. We found the case involved in much perplexity, but have come to a united conclusion that the several grounds of complaint prefered against him, seem to have been substantiated.

We submit the case to the judgement of the Meeting. Abm Barker
12 m° 24 1861 Geo Howland Jr
Committee

Auditors We appoint Abm Barker Dan^l Davis Ed Gardner and John Wood to examin and settle the Treasurers acc^t, propose a sum necessary to be raised for the service of this Meet^g the ensuing year, and to name a friend for Treasurer, also to audit the acc^ts of the several Trust funds held under the direction of this Meeting.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk.

1 m° 1862 At New Bedford M° Meeting held 1 m° 23. 1862

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Abm Barker Alex Hillman. Longplain Ed^w C Dillingham and John Wood Jr who are present except one.

Hannah M Boadle We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate in favour of Hannah M Boadle from Marlboro M° Meeting New York.

Jas G Howland The friend named last month to inform James G Howland of the Conclusion of this Meeting in his case reports, that he has informed him.

Matthew Hiller We are informed by the overseers in Longplain Preparative Meeting that Matthew Hiller has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member, we appoint

1 Mo. 1862 Joseph Kempton and Elnathan E Delano to
visit him on that acct and report to a
future Meeting.

The time for which the Overseers of this
Meeting were appointed having expired, we
reappoint Wm Gifford Matthew Howland
Overseers and Henry T Wood in New Bedford Preparative
Meeting; and Joseph Kempton Richd Davis
and John Wood in Longplain Preparative
Meeting, to be overseers of this Meeting
for the year ensuing or untill another
appointment.

The subject of safely keeping the
Records belonging to this Meeting being
introduced — the Clerk was directed to
Records procure a metalic trunk suitable for
that purpose, and then place them in
the vault of the New Bedford Institution
for Savings untill otherways ordered,
Treas and that friends who may wish to
Stock examine said Records be furnished
with the Key, it being understood
that none of said Books are to be
taken from that building without
the consent of this Meeting.

The committee appointed last
month to examine and settle the
Treasurers accts and for other purposes
made the following report,
which being considered was acceptable
to the Meeting, and in compliance
therewith Henry T Wood is appointed
Treasurer of this Meeting for the year
to come — and we appoint Rufus Shearman
Seth R Akin James M Tripp E E Delano
Richard Davis Albert Wood and Edw
S Taber to receive the Subscriptions
of friends for $500.- dollars the sum
proposed to be raised for the use of
this Meeting — and produce the Treasurers
receipt for the same when
accomplished.

We appoint Wm C Taber Hy T Wood
Ed W Howland Wm Gifford and George
Howland Jr to unite with a like

1 Mo 1862 committee of Women friends in making
Charitable distribution of the income from the
fund Charitable fund left by our late
friend A Shearman Jr.

We appoint Jos Taber Geo Howland
Educational Jr Richd Davis E G Dillingham and Chs R
fund Tucker to dispose of the income from
the Educational fund left by the same
friend.

To the Mo Meeting

Matthew Miller has married out of the order of our Society with one not in Membership with us.

1 m 15. 1862 Jos Kempton }
Richd Davis } Overseers

Report

The committee appointed to settle the Treasurers acct and to audit the several trusts funds report that they have attended to that duty.

The Treasurers acct have been examined and found correct, showing a balance due him of thirty cents, we would recommend that $500- be raised for the Service of the Meeting the ensuing year, and propose Hy T Wood for Treasurer.

The accts of the committee having charge of the Educational fund have been found correct. One hundred and twenty dollars have been paid for the board and tuition of three schollars at the Boarding School Providence - there is a balc remaining in their hands of $31.34.

The acct ~~with~~ of the committee having charge of the Charitable fund were also found correct, they had received one hundred and twenty dollars. and had paid to fourteen persons seventy five dollars - and now have eighty dollars on hand.

The Trustees to the estate of John Hunt presented a correct acct of their doings, they had distributed $318.- dolls to

1 Mo 1862 Sixty Seven persons, and their is a balance of $256.96 remaining in their hands.
1 Mo 1862
Abm Barker
Edmd Gardner

Attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

2 Mo 1862 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 2 Mo 27. 1862

The representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Ezra Kelley Saml Rodman, Longplain Joseph Kempton and Peter D. Slade. who are present.

Stock The committee appointed last month to receive the subscriptions of friends for the use of this Meeting have presented the Treasurers receipt for $500. dollars the amo proposed to be raised.

The following written communication from Nathan Babcock and Sarah W Davis was received through Longplain Preparative Meeting, which was read in this and the Womens Meeting and due notice taken thereof.

N Babcock & S W Davis To New Bedford Mo Meeting
Dear friends
With Divine permission and friends approbation we intend Marriage with each other.
2 Mo 27. 1862 Nathan Babcock
Sarah W Davis

Matthew Hiller The committee appointed last Mo to visit Matthew Hiller on acct of his deviation in marriage presented the following report. Which being read and considered, and having the consent of the womens Meeting we retain him in membership with us, and John Wood is named to inform him hereof.

2 mo 1862 To the Mo Meetg

In accordance with our appointment we have visited Matthew Hiller on acct of his deviation in Marriage with a good degree of Satisfaction, he expressed a preference for friends above that of any Other Religious Society, and wished to retain his right of Membership which we submit to the Meetg.

2 mo 27. 1862 Joseph Tompson
Elnathan E Delano

Records The clerk informed the Meeting that agreeable to directions given him last Month, he had procured a Tin Metalic Trunk, and put the Records of this Meeting which are not in use therein - and deposited said Trunk in the vault of the New Bedford Institution for Savings

Witness Charles R Tucker
Clerk

3 mo 1862 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 mo 27. 1862.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph S Tillinghast Joseph Taber Longplain Jona Gowin and Alex Howland who are present.

The queries with ans from our Preparative Meetings have been read a summary of which has been approved, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting. we appoint Saml Rodman Geo Howland jr Albert Wood and Wm P Howland to attend said Meeting as our representatives.

A certificate from Bolton Mo Meeting on behalf of Nathan Babcock on acct of marriage is approved.

M Hiller The friend named last month to inform Matthew Hiller with the conclusion of this Meeting in his case - reports that he has informed him.

3 Mo 1862 Having received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meetg, the following communication in relation to Wm Eddy, we

Wm Eddy appoint Chs R Tucker and Jos Taber to visit him on that acct, and report to a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meetg

The overseers inform that Wm Eddy has wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and in an interview with him he gave little encouragement of attending them in future, expressing a preference for those of another religious denomination.

Wm Gifford
3 Mo 20.1862. Matth Howland
Henry Jr Wood
Overseers

Nathan Babcock and Sarah W Davis having at our last Mo Meeting made a declaration of their intentions of Marriage with each other - and having

N Babcock consent of Surviving Parents and appear-

S W Davis ing clear to proceed therein, they are now allowed to Solemnize their said Marriage according to the established order of our Religious society, and on acct of the infirm health of her Father for it to be accomplished at a Meeting to be held on fifth day 4 Mo 17. at 2 O.clock in the afternoon at his house, Richd Davis and Edw G Dillingham are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to this Meeting Next Month.

Our proportion of Stock has been

Stock paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting.

Witness Charles R Tucker
Clerk

4 Mo 1862 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 Mo 24. 1862

The representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Seth K Akin Nathan Bowman Longplain Edwd G Dillingham and Matthew Bradford who are present.

The time having expired for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed. Chas

Clerks R Tucker is appointed Clerk and Matthew Howland assistant for one year or untill another appointment.

The representatives to the Qr Meeting report they all attended.

Marriage The friends appointed last Month to

N Babcock have the oversight of the marriage of

S W Davis Nathan B Babcock and Sarah W Davis report that they attended the Marriage, that is was orderly conducted, and the certificate had been placed in the hands of the Recorder.

The time having expired for which the overseers of the poor for this Meeting

Overseers were appointed. we appoint Edmund

Poor Gardner, William Gifford Geo Howland Jr Seth K Akin John Wood Richard Davis Jabez Wood Rufus Shearman and Elnathan E Delano to be Overseers for the poor of this Meeting for one year or untill another appointment.

atto Charles R Tucker Clerk

5 Month At New Bedford Mo Mtg held 5 Mo 22 1862

The representatives appointed to this Mtg are; from New Bedford Henry T. Wood Joseph Taber Longplain Arnold G Tripp and Ric^d Davis who are present.

Having received through Longplain

K S Eldridge Preparative Mtg, the following request

Request from Kelley S Eldridge to be received into Membership. we appoint John Wood and Richd Davis to visit him on that acct and report their judgement to a future Meeting.

5 mo 1862 To New Bedford Mo Meetg of Friends
Having for a considerable length of time felt a desire to become a member of the Religious Society of friends, I believe it right for me at this time to be received into Membership.

Fairhaven Kelly S Eldredge
5 mo 21. 1862

Atts Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

6 mo 1862 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 mo 26. 1862.

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford James M Tripp, Abm Barker
" Longplain Jos R Wing and John Wood.
Who are present.

m Greens visit — Our beloved friend William Green from Ireland, attended this Meeting, and presented Satisfactory Certificates from Lisburn Mo Meetg and the Quarterly Meeting for Ulster held at Lisburn, and from the yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Dublin - expressive of unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagements, his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Phebe Ann Sands visit — Our beloved friend Phebe Ann Sands attended this Meeting with a Satisfactory certificate from Amawalk Mo Meeting N.Y. held 5 month 1862, expressing unity with her ministry, and with her present religious engagements - her company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Abby W Underhill — Our esteemed friend Abby W Underhill Companion to Phebe Ann Sands attended this Meeting with a Satisfactory Minute from Amawalk Mo Meetg N.Y. dated 6 mo 1862 her company has been Satisfactory to friends.

The clerk is directed to furnish our women friends with copies of the above Minutes as they relate to each.

We are informed by the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting

6 month 1862 that Edward L Baker has married out of
the order of our Society with one not in
E L Baker membership with us, Wm Baker and Jos
Taber are appointed to visit him on that
acct and report to a future Meeting.

The Queries have been read with answers
Queries from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 & 10th.
a summary of which is approved and directed
to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Meeting -
we appoint Jos Kempton, Marlboro Bradford,
Rufus Shearman and George Howland Jr to
attend as representatives of this Meetg.

The committee appointed last Month to
visit Kelley S Eldridge on acct of his request
Kelley S to be received into membership, made the
Eldridge following report - which being considered was
accepted, and having the concurrence of
the womens Meeting, we now receive him as
a Member of our Religious Society - and
John Wood is appointed to inform him
hereof -

To the Mo Meetg

Agreeable to appointment we have visited
Kelley S Eldridge to satisfaction and are uni-
Report -ted in believing that it will be right to
receive him into membership, which we
submit to the Meeting.

Fairhaven
6 mo 26. 1862

John Wood
Richard Davis

To the Mo Meetg

The overseers inform that Edward L
Baker has married out of the order of
our Society, with one not in Membership
with us.

New Bedford
6 mo 11. 1862

Wm Gifford
Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood
Overseers

Atts.

Charles R Tucker
Clerk

YEARLY MEETING, SIXTH MONTH, 1862.

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report: That they have given attention to their appointment, during the past year, and feel justified in stating, that the various concerns of the Institution have been conducted in a satisfactory manner.

For the Summer term, 83 scholars were admitted, viz. 53 males and 30 females; and for the winter term 119, viz. 74 males, and 45 females.

The officers of the school have been, Albert K. Smiley and Eliza P. Smiley, Principals; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; John F. Rowell, Rebecca H. Smiley andRuth P. Nichols, Teachers of English branches; Rufus Read, Teacher of Mathematics; Charles R. Paine, Assistant teacher of Greek and Latin; Alfred Gaudelet, teacher of French; Mary A. Potter, teacher of Drawing.

The health of the family and pupils has been good, which, under the divine blessing, we believe may in part be attributed to well directed gymnastic exercises which have been systematically pursued.

During the past winter, meetings for divine worship have been satisfactorily held in the school house, on first day mornings, and on first day afternoons, and in the middle of the week the meetings of Friends in the city have been attended.

The accounts of the Institution having been examined, show the following result for the past year.

The receipts for tuition, &c. with $3800 from the income of the permanent fund, have paid the expenses of the school. The remainder of the income has been applied to the payment of interest, insurance, &c., and the liquidation of the debt, ($1500) leaving the Institution free of indebtedness, and a balance of $50,15 in the hands of the Treasurer.

A pretty large expenditure is now required in the outside painting of the buildings in order for their preservation, but we trust this may be made without involving the Institution in any indebtedness.

We propose that the terms commence and continue as last year, and that the charges remain the same, viz. $40 per term, for members of our Yearly Meeting; $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or the scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such members; and $100 for any others, payable in advance. And that $5, additional charge, continue to be made for instruction, either in the ancient languages, in French or in Drawing, and that books and stationery be furnished at the same price as heretofore.

We again call attention to the "Regulations of the School Committee," which have been approved by the Yearly Meeting and are hereunto annexed.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee,
GILBERT CONGDON, Clerk.
Providence, 5th mo. 6th, 1862."

REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

"As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the school, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received.

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the committee at their meetings to be held in the 3d and 9th Months—as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At these meetings, applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars, will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the meeting of the committee in the 9th month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. And friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for admission of scholars into the school.

It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term; but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school, or to give the notice above specified shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of children being admitted for the term, and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising therefrom to the Institution.

Application for admission into the school, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund, is to be made to the Principals.

Address, ALBERT K. SMILEY,
Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, R. I."

While engaged in the review of the state of Society, the vital importance of the right performance of the duty alluded to in the tenth query, was brought impressively before us, and we were feelingly reminded of the course prescribed in the Gospel, upon which our discipline is founded.

First, let the labor with an offending brother be between him and thee alone—then two or three may engage in the work; and if this be unavailing, the aid of the Church may be rightly invoked to exercise its authority, in the spirit of meekness and wisdom. A committee is to be appointed, free from prejudice, moving in the fear of God and in the love of Christ, to labor, in this love and in tenderness, to show the offender the error of his way, and to restore him to the right path; and if all this prove unavailing, then may the Church testify against his evil way, and, for the sake of the cause of Truth, dissolve his connection with our religious body. This course is according to the discipline and usage of our Society; and it is the sense and judgment of this Meeting, that the case must be of a very flagrant nature, in which the Truth would greatly suffer by delay, to justify a more summary proceeding. Friends are entreated to be sure that no root of bitterness exists in their own hearts,—a fatal disqualification for doing good to others. No one can tell how abundant may be the fruits of the labor, bestowed in the love and under the influence of the spirit of Christ, whether they are immediately manifested, or gathered after many days. "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye that are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself, lest thou, also, be tempted."

The Clerk is requested to forward this Minute to subordinate Meetings, to be observed by them.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

o1862 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 7mo 24.1862

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Henry T. Wood Saml Rodman, Longplain Edw. E. Gillingham and Richard Davis, who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting, report they all attended.

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We are informed by the following minute from the Qr Meeting that our proportion of Stock for that Meeting is $175.- dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay when the state of our funds will admit.

At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held 7th mo 1862

It is concluded to raise three hundred and fifty dollars for the use of this meeting the present year which our monthly meetings are requested to raise in the usual proportions and forward to Matthew Howland our treasurer. New Bedford Monthly Meetings proportion is one hundred and seventy five dollars (50 per cent)

From the minutes of the meeting
Wm C Taber Clerk.

To New Bedford
Mo Meeting

Baker
The committee appointed last Month to visit Edward L Baker on acct of his deviation in marriage made the following report, which being read was accepted, and with the unity of the women he is continued a member of our religious society, and Abm Barker is appointed to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Meeting

The committee appointed last Month to visit Ed L Baker on acct of his deviation in marriage report - That they have had an opportunity with him which was satisfactory - He readily acknowledged his departure from the established order of society, but at the same time expressed a decided wish that it might be overlooked and that he might still retain his membership. Which we submit to the Meeting.

7 Mo 24.1862
Abm Barker
Jos Taber.

7 Mo 1862

Eliza K Ferris

This Meeting unites with the women in retaining in membership Eliza K. Ferris (late Kelley) who has married out of the order of our Society.

Yr Mtg Extracts

The following extracts from our last yearly Meeting have been received, which embraces the report of the Boarding School committee, and an article of advice to subordinate meetings upon the subject of dealing with offenders, together with 178 copies of the printed minutes of that Meeting and 329 copies of the London printed Epistle of last year. Matthew Howland, Henry T Wood, Jaber Wood and Richard Davis are appointed to make suitable enquiries as to the fitness of children who propose entering the Boarding School, and to furnish them with certificates directed to the principals.

We appoint Henry T Wood, Seth K Akin, Rufus Sherman, John K Davis Jr, Elnathan E Delano, Richard Davis and Josiah Holmes Jr to distribute the above printed Minutes and Epistles among our members.

Susan Howland liberated

Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty manner informed this Meeting, that she believed the time had fully come to resign herself for Religious Service in attending the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Salem, Dover, Falmouth, Vassalboro and Fairfield, and to visit the Meetings and families constituting them so far as way opens for it in the Truth. Which being fully united with, she was liberated for that service and encouraged to proceed therein under the guidance of best wisdom, she being a Minister with whom we have unity. The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this Minute.

Lydia Congdon

Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon informed this Meeting that she felt willing to accompany her Sister Susan Howland on her proposed religious visit, which being united with, she was liberated

7 mo 1862 for that service, she being an Elder well esteemed by us. The clerk is directed to
Kelley S furnish her with a copy of this minute.
Eldridge The friend appointed last month to inform Kelley S Eldridge that he had been received into membership, report that he had informed him.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

8 month At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 8 mo 28. 1862

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Seth K Akin, Benja Anthony. Longplain Peter D Slade and Seth S Swift who are present.

A removal certificate from Sandwich
Dan^l S Mo Meeting on behalf of Daniel S Wing
Wing and his wife Chloe C S Wing, being read,
and Wife was accepted the women concurring herein, and the clerk is directed to inform that Meeting hereof.

Removal certificates being requested
David on behalf of David S Taber and John R
S and Taber to Newyork Mo Meeting, the latter
John R a minor, Gideon Wood and Chs R
Taber Tucker are appointed to prepare certificates and present them to this Meeting.

We have received the following extract from our last Yearly Meeting, and appoint
Committee Henry T Wood, Seth K Akin, Jabez Wood, Richd
on
Education Davis, Elnathan E Delano and Josiah Holmes Jr to unite with the Educational Committee appointed by the Yr Meeting for the objects therein set forth.

Yearly Meeting 6 mo 1862

The committee on Education presented a Report, which is interesting to this Meeting; and in conformity to the suggestions contained therein, our Mo Meetings are requested to appoint committees to render their aid in procuring accurate statistical information, and by other proper means to assist the Committee in the fulfilment of the interesting and important concern of this Meeting, for the increase of the

8 Mo 1862 number of First day Schools, and for the promotion of the religious and literary education of our dear youth and children, in conformity with our established order and Christian principals.

From the minutes of the Meeting
Saml Boyd Tobey clerk

The committee appointed last month to distribute documents among our members, report that the service has been performed.

Lucretia G. Chase We unite with the Womens Meetg in the approval of a removal certificate for Lucretia G Chase to Providence Mo Meeting.

Dorcas Washburn We unite with the women in disowning Dorcas Washburn late Wilbur, she having married with one who is not a member, and having expressed a decided choice not to be retained in membership with us.

Eliza A Hathaways Bequest. Henry T Wood. administrator with the Will annexed to the estate of Eliza A Hathaway deceased, presented to this Meeting the following extract from her will, which bequest is accepted by this Meeting. and the overseers are authorized to receive the amount from the administrator, and give him a proper discharge on behalf of this Meeting.

Extract from the will of Eliza A Hathaway deceased dated 7 Mo 27. 1862.

" Also I give and bequeath to the overseers of New Bedford Mo Meeting, for the use of said Meeting, all the rest and residue of my properity of whatsoever name or nature, on condition that they shall cause me at the time of my death. to be decently interred in Friends Burying ground in New Bedford."

atts Charles R Tucker clerk

9 Mo 1862 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 9 Mo 25. 1862

The Representatives appointed to this Meeting are from New Bedford Jos. Tillinghast, Gideon Wood, Longplain Wm Bradford, John Wood Jr who are present.

Education — Rufus Shearmans name is added to the committee which was appointed last month upon the subject of Education.

The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings have been read to the 1. 2 and 10th. a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Meeting, and we have appointed David Shove, Edmund Gardner, Jos R Wing and Rufus Sherman to attend as our Representatives.

John W Smith — We are informed by the Overseers thro Longplain Preparative Meeting that John W Smith has Married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. we appoint Elnathan E Delano and David Shove to visit him on that account, and report to a future Mtg.

To the Mo Meeting
John W Smith has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

Fairhaven
9 Mo 17. 1862.

Joseph Kempton
Richard Davis
Overseers

David S and John R Faber — Removal Certificates to New York Mo Meeting on behalf of David S Faber and John R Faber have been approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Wm L Kelley — Having received a removal certificate from Sidney Mo Mtg on behalf of Wm L Kelley, we find upon enquiry that he has enlisted in the United States Army and the Clerk is directed to return said certificate with a copy of this Minute.

London Epistle — The London printed Epistle for 1861. has been read at this time to our Edification and encouragement.

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting the resignation of Lydia R Faber

9 Mo 1862 Lydia R Taber — of her right of membership, agreeable to the report of the committee who had the care of the case.

att. Charles R Tucker clerk.

10 Mo 1862 — At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 10 Mo 23. 1862.

The Representatives appointed to this Meeting are George Howland jr and Wm Gifford from New Bedford and Ed L Dillingham and Richard Davis from the Longplain. who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting report they all attended.

Committee on Funerals &c — The committee having the oversight of Funerals and care of burial grounds made the following report, which being read was accepted, and the friends now under appointment are continued on that service Viz. Wm P Howland, Chs R Tucker, George Howland jr, Wm J Wood, Danl Davis, Edmund Gardner, Jos Taber, Gideon Wood, Josa Tillinghast, Richard Davis, Jos R Wing, Peter D Slade, Jabez Wood, John Wood, Ed L Dillingham, Jos Kempton, E E Delano, Jona Cowin, J Holmes jr and Ed W Howland, and they are requested to report in the 10th Month next year.

To the Monthly Meeting
of

The Committee under appointment to take the oversight of funerals and the care of burial grounds - report - that some of our number have attended all funerals which during the past year have been conducted by Friends. either of our own members or of others where the care of Friends has been requested.

The calls upon us by those not in membership with us have as heretofore not been infrequent but these funerals have we believe uniformly been occasions of solemnity and interest. and have been held to a good degree of satisfaction. Of the several burial grounds within our limits we believe that all are now suitably enclosed and kept in becoming order. with the exception of that at Long Plain. where a want of care and

10 Mo 1862. interest in this respect is apparent.

In the interment of the dead and in the erection of head stones over the graves of the deceased we think a commendable simplicity has been observed. and care is taken by most among us to keep in this respect within the recommendations of our Discipline

10 Mo 23. 1862   On behalf of the Committe
Henry T Wood
Peter D Slade.

John W Smith

The committee appointed last Month to visit John W Smith on acct of his deviation in marriage, presented the following report; which was accepted by the Meeting, and having the Womens concurrence, we continue him in membership with us. E E Delano is appointed to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Meeting.

We the Committee in the case of John W Smith, report that we have had a Satisfactory opportunity with him, he appeared sensible of his deviation and is desireous of being restored to unity. Which we submit to the Meeting.

Fairhaven 11 Mo 23. 1862.   David Shove
Elnathan E Delano.

Susan Howland Returns Minute

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned at this time a minute granted her in the Seventh Month for religious service as expressed therein. She informed the Meeting that she had through divine favour been enabled to perform what she apprehended was required of her, to the peace and quiet of her own mind. She presented returning Minutes, from Salem, Falmouth, Fairfield and Vassalboro Qr Meetings, and Salem, Falmouth and Vassalboro. Mo Meetings, all of which is satisfactory to friends.

Our esteemed friend Lydia Congdon returned to this Meeting a minute furnished her in the 7 Month to accompany her Sister Susan Howland on a religious visit - She informed us that the service had been performed

10 Mo 1862 and she beleived to the Satisfaction of both the visited and visitors. She presented sundry minutes from Salem, Falmouth, Fairfield and Vassalboro Pr Meetings and from Vassalboro Mo Meeting - which are Satisfactory to this Meeting.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

11 Mo 1862 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 11 Mo 27, 1862. The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Abm I Barker Ed W Howland, Longplain Isaac Hiller and Seth C Bradford, who are present.

A S Payson's visit Our beloved friend Albert S Payson attended this Meeting, and presented a satisfactory certificate from Smithfield Mo Meetg, expressive of unity with him as a minister, and with his present religious engagements, his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

The queries have been read with answers from our Preparative Meetgs to the 1. 2 and 10th. a summary of which was approved and directed to be foowarded to the Qr Meeting, we appoint Hy T Wood, Elnathan E Delano, Jas S Tillinghast and Richd Davis, representatives to that Meeting.

J W Smith The friend named last month to inform John W Smith of the conclusion of this Meetg in his case, reports that he has informed him.

Estate of Eliza A Hathaway We are informed by the Overseers that they have received from the Administrator to the Estate of Eliza A Hathaway $431.45 four hundred thirty one $\frac{45}{100}$ dollars, which they are directed to invest in such manner as will in their judgement best promote the interest of this Meeting.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

12 Mo At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 12 mo 25th 1862.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting from New Bedford Jos Taber Alex Tallman, from Longplain Albert Wood and Edward B. Hiller who are present.

The representatives to the Qr Meetg report they all attended.

Joseph Taber Gideon Wood, and Albert Wood are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers acct, propose a sum to be raised for the use of this Meeting for the ensuing year, and the name of a friend for Treasurer, also to audit the accounts of the several trust funds held under the direction of this Meetg.

Auditors

We have received a copy of an address issued by the Representitives Meetg of New York, with a minute attached from the Meeting for Sufferings of New England Yr Meeting, in relation to the suffering condition which the colored refugees from Slavery are now in, which being read, claimed the attention of this Meeting, and we appoint Samuel Rodman, Wm C Taber Rufus Greenman, Jona Cowin, Ric Davis John Wood Jr, Albert Wood, Edw B. Hiller, Edw W Howland, Henry T Wood, Jabez Wood, Peter L Slade, Chs R Tucker, Jos S Tillinghast and Josiah Holmes Jr. to unite with a similar committee of women friends to make a collection to be appropriated for the relief of this suffering and downtrodden class of the human family, and report to a future Meeting.

Colored Refugees from Slavery

We unite with the Womens Meeting in the approval of a removal certificate on behalf of Eliza R Ferris to Sandwich Mo Meeting.

Eliza R Ferris Removes

Atts Charles R Tucker
Clerk

1 Mo 1863 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1 Mo 22 1863

The representatives appointed to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Shearman George Howland Jr. Longplain Peter L Slade and Albert Wood who are present.

Complaint against Six young men who have enlisted in the Army.

Being informed at this time by the following communications, received from the Overseers through our Preparative Meetings, stating that Joshua Bowman George Howland, William Almy, Jacob Almy, Jonathan E Cowen, and Rowland Smith, having in violation of our testimony against all war, enlisted in the army, we appoint Daniel Davis Chs R Tucker, Henry T Wood, Elnathan E Delano, William C Taber and George Howland Jr, to visit these young men when opportunity offers for it, and endeavour to labor with them in the Spirit of restoring love, on acct of thier deviation, and report when ready to this Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting
We feel it our duty to inform the meeting that Jonathan Emerson Cowin & Rowland Smith have enlisted in the army
Acushnet 1st mo 14 1863. John Wood.
Joseph Kempton.
Richard Davis.
Overseers.

To the Monthly Meeting
The overseers believe it right to inform the Meeting that Joshua Bowman George Howland William Almy and Jacob Almy have, in violation of our ancient testimony against all war, enlisted in the army.
Matthew Howland.
Wm Gifford
New Bedford 1mo 14 1863. Henry T Way
Overseers.

1 Mo 1863

Saml S Beatty & Hannah B Kempton's intentions of marriage

Samuel S Beatty and Hannah B Kempton having made the following written declaration of thier intentions of marriage, and due notice having been taken thereof by this Meeting, they are requested to wait till next month for our answer.

To the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford
With Divine permission and the approbation of Friends we intend marriage with each Other.
12 Mo 15. 1862.
Samuel S Beatty
Hannah B Kempton

Stock and appointment of Treasurer

The committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers acct and for other purposes, have made the following report which being acceptable to the Meeting Henry T Wood is reappointed Treasurer of this Meeting for one year or untill another appointment; and Rufus Shearman, Seth K Akin, John Wood, Jabez Wood, Peter G Slade Gideon Wood and Edw B Keller are appointed to receive the Subscriptions of friends for $350.- Dolls the Sum proposed to be raised and when accomplished present the Treasurers receipt to this Meeting.

Educational fund

We appoint Jos Taber, Geo Howland Jr, Richd Davis Edw G Tillingham and Chs R Tucker to have the care of the income from the Educational fund left by Abm Shearman Jr for the ensuing year.

Charitable fund

We appoint Wm C Taber Henry T Wood, Edw W Howland, Wm Gifford, & Geo Howland Jr to unite with a similar committee of Women friends to have the care of distributing the income from the Charitable fund left by our late dear friend Abm Shearman Jr for the ensuing year.

Overseers

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we reappoint William Gifford, Matthew Howland, and Henry T Wood in New Bedford Preparative Meeting, and Joseph Kempton, Richard Davis and John Wood in Longplain Preparative Meeting, to be overseers for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

1 mo 1863 To the Monthly Meeting
We have this

To the Monthly Meeting
We have this day

Auditors Report

examined the account of Henry T Wood, Treasurer of this meeting and find it correct. There is a balance in his hands of one hundred and fifty seven dollars, 17c.

We would propose that three hundred and fifty dollars be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year, and the appointment of Henry T Wood for treasurer

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We have also examined the account of the committe of A Shearman Jr's ~~Estate~~ Educational fund and find it correct, They having paid $130.94 for three terms of tuition of pupils at Friends boarding School at Providence, Showing a balance due the Trustees of $3.60

We have also examined the account of the committe of A Sherman Jr's Benevolent Fund and find it correct. There has been dollars dispensed from the income of this fund the past year to 28 persons leaving a balance in the hands of the trustees of $41.

We have also examined the account of the Trustees of the estate of John West and find it accurate and by which it appears they have distributed the past year $515.26 to about 90 individuals and families in 101 sums of various amounts from 1 to 10 dollars leaving a balance in the hands of the Trustees of $121.32.

N. Bedford. 1 mo 13 1863,

Joseph Taber,
Gideon Wood
Albert Wood,

Attest Charles R Tucker
clerk

2 Mo 1863

At New Bedford Mo Meetg held 2 Mo 26. 1863

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford are Wm P Howland, Alex Tillman, Longplain Edw G Dillingham and John Wood Jr who are present.

Williams Davis

Williams Davis having removed to reside within the limits of Bolton Mo Meeting requests our certificate. Richard Davis and Peter D Slade are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future Meeting.

Saml S Beattie and Hannah B Kempton.

Samuel S Beattie and Hannah B Kempton having at our last Mo Meeting made a declaration of marriage, and now having consent of surviving Parents and appearing clear to proceed therein, and at their request they are now allowed to solemnize their said Marriage at the residence of Susan B Kempton on 7th Street in this City, at a meeting now appointed to be held on fourth day next week at 12 O'Clock, and Joseph Kempton and Henry T Wood are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to this Meeting next Month.

L B Crocker Removed

We unite with the Womens Meeting in the approval of a removal Certificate on behalf of Lydia B Crocker to Sandwich Mo Meeting.

Henry Russell & Daughter.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Mo Meeting for Henry Russell and his minor daughter Mary Starbuck is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Atto. Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

A certificate from Scipio Mo Meeting on behalf of Saml S Beattie on acct of marriage is approved.

3 mo 1863 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 mo 26. 1863

The Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Seth K Akin Wm Gifford & Longplain Peter D Slade and Jona Cowin, who are present.

Queries The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings, of which has been adopted and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting. Gideon Wood, Rufus Shearman, Elnathan E Delano and Peter D Slade are appointed to attend as our representatives.

Abm Taber We have received from the overseers thro' New Bedford Preparative Meeting the following information in relation to Abm Taber, and we appoint Henry Russell and Chs R Tucker to visit him on our behalf and report to a future Meeting.

Henry F Shearman We have received from the overseers via the same Meeting the following information in relation to Henry F Shearman, we appoint Seth K Akin and Ezra Kelley to visit him on our account and report to a future Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

Abraham Taber who has for a considerable time almost wholly absented himself from our religious meetings, gives no encouragement of attending them in future and in interview with him he has expressed a decided preference for the meetings of another denomination and his belief that he cannot consistently remain a member of our society.

New Bedford, 3rd mo 19 1863. } Wm Gifford
Henry T Wood
overseers,

To the Monthly Meeting

The overseers inform that Henry F Shearman hath married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member

3 mo 1863 New Bedford
3rd mo 18 1863. } Wm Gifford.
Matthew Howland
Henry T Wing

A removal certificate to New York Monthly
John D Meeting for John D Shearman a minor, we appoint
Shearman Henry D Wood and Daniel Davis to take the necessary care in the case and report next Month.

Sarah W We unite with the womens Meeting in the
Babcock. approval of a removal certificate for Sarah W Babcock to Bolton Mo Meeting.

A removal certificate on behalf of Williams
Williams Davis to Bolton Mo Meeting is approved, having
Davis the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

The committee appointed in the first month to receive the subscriptions of friends for the
Stock use of this Meeting, have presented the Treasurers receipt for $350.- the sum proposed to be raised.

Qr Mety Our Treasurer informs that he has paid
Stock our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock.

We are informed by Sandwich Monthly
Eliza R Meeting that they have accepted a removal
Ferris Certificate from us for Eliza R Ferris.

We are united in requesting the Yearly
Discipline Meeting, through the Quarterly Meeting to have our discipline revised.

The friends appointed last Month to have
Saml S the oversight of the marriage of Saml S
Beatty Beatty and Hannah B Kempton, "report"
and Hannah B that they were marriage at the time appointed
Kempton and that good order was observed, and
Marriage the Certificate had been placed in the hands of the recorder.

New Bedford Preparative Meeting having requested that our afternoon Meeting on
First First day at New Bedford be held in future
day from the first of the tenth month to the
Meetings first of the fifth at the third hour in the afternoon, and from the first of the fifth to the first of the tenth month at half past Seven in the evening. This Meeting unites in granting the request, having the concurrence of Women friends.

Attd. Charles R Tucker Clerk.

4 mo 1863

At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 mo 23. 1863.

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Abm Barker Benja Swift Longplain Arnold G Tripp and Elnathan E Delano who are present.

The Representatives to our last Qr Meeting report they all attended.

John L Shearman removes

A removal certificate for John L Shearman to New York Monthly Meeting is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Overseers of poor

The time for which the Overseers of the poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired, Edmund Gardner, William Gifford Geo Howland Jr, Seth K Akin, John Wood, Richd Davis, Jabez Wood, Rufus Shearman and Elnathan E Delano, are appointed on that service for one year or untill another appointment

The committee appointed in the 12 mo to unite with a similar committee of the Womens Meeting, to aid the Colored refugees from Slavery, presented the following partial report, and also a letter addressed to this Meeting from James Meanes the Superintendant of the Negroes, dated Newbern N.C. 3 mo 19. 1863 acknowledging to have received from Edw W Howland the articles as specified in the report - his letter gave abundant evidence that our sympathies and exertions have been well directed, for the relief of that suffering class of the human family. all of which is interesting and satisfactory to this Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee within the limits of N Bedford Prep. Meeting appointed to aid the colored refugees Report - that they have received for that object contributions in cash from friends and others amounting to $422.
Also cloth from two individuals worth $15
$437.

Nearly $300 of this sum was expended in

the purchase of cloth, which by the efficient aid of the friends of the colored sufferers was made up into garments mostly for women and children. Five barrels containing 581 garments were taken to Newbern. N. C by Edward W Howland one of our number, the receipt of which has been acknowledged by the Superintendent of Negroes in that Department in a letter herewith presented. One barrel containing 118 new garments has also been sent to the colored refugees on the Mississippi, making a total of 699 garments. costing with a small sum paid for labor - - $ 305.61
The balance in money has been remitted to a Comt of Friends at Cincinnati to be expended for the relief of Refugees on the Ohio & Mississippi Rivers $ 116.39 1122
While the Committee have reason to believe that further efforts will be required. they have felt that the work on our part may be suspended for the present.

New Bedford
11th mo 22 1863

For the Committee Saml Rodman
Sarah H Anthony.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

5 Mo 1863 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 5 Mo 28. 1863

The Representatives to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Joseph Taber, Daniel Davis Longplain John Wood and Thomas Wood, who are present.

Clerks appointed The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired, Charles R Tucker is appointed Clerk and Matthew Howland assistant Clerk for one year or untill another appointment.

Abm Taber Disowned The committee appointed in the third mo to visit Abm Taber made the following report, which being considered was accepted, and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting, we disown him as a member of our religious Society, and appoint Henry Russell to inform him hereof.

Wm Eddy disowned The committee appointed in the 3 mo 1862 to visit Wm Eddy presented the following report, which being read was accepted, and we now disown him as a member of our religious society having the concurrence of the womens meeting - and Joseph Taber is appointed to inform him of this conclusion.

5 Mo 1863
Mary Jane Taber disowned

This Meeting united with the women in disowning Mary Jane Taber as a member of our religious society, she having left our meeting, and given the preference to that of another religious denomination.

Bolton Mo Meetg.

We are informed by Bolton Mo Meeting that they had accepted removal certificates from us on behalf of Williams Davis and Sarah W Babcock.

Sandwich Mo Meetg.

We are also informed by Sandwich Mo Meeting that they had accepted a removal certificate from us on behalf of Lydia B Crocker.

C Bailey disowned

We unite with the womens Meeting in disowning Catharine Bailey as a member of our religious ~~Meeting~~ society, she having withdrawn from us, and attends the Meetings of another religious denomination.

Lydia A Ricketson

We unite with the women in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo Meeting on behalf of Lydia A Ricketson.

Sale of the old Burial Ground

The committee appointed in the 11 Mo 1855 to sell the old burial ground in New Bedford made the following report, which being acceptable to us, we now authorize and direct the overseers, to make and execute a deed on behalf of this Meeting conveying said lot of land to the purchasers. and the committee now under appointment are requested to carry out the recommendation contained in their report, by receiving and appropriating the amount for which said ground was sold for, and report when accomplished.

Overseers to receive deed

The overseers of this Meeting are directed to receive from Wm R Taber, Ed W Howland and Chs R Tucker a deed of the Burial Ground now occupied by friends in New Bedford.

To the Monthly Meeting,

We have had an interview with William Eddy agreeable to our appointment, he informed us that he had not been educated to attend our Meetings, but those of another Religious denomination.

He expressed himself warmly attached to many individual members among friends — but at present did not expect to attend our meetings, and did not desire to retain his right of membership

New Bedford — Joseph Taber.
5th mo. 25 1863. — Charles R Tucker

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Abm Taber on account of his neglecting ~~our~~ the attendance of our Religious Meetings. He received us very kindly — but expressed himself satisfied with the Meeting which he now attends, and had no desire to retain his right of Membership — which we submit to the meeting.

Charles R Tucker
New Bedford. — Henry Russell.
5th mo 25 1863.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed in the eleventh month 1855 to sell the old burial ground "Report" that they have sold said lot to Greene and Wood for the sum of two thousand dollars, and they would recommend that the meeting direct the overseers to make a deed of said property on behalf of the Monthly Meeting to the purchasers, It being understood that the proceeds of this land should be appropriated towards paying for the burial ground now used by friends, we would propose that one or two friends be appointed to receive the above amount, and pay the same so far as it will go towards the purchase of said lot — which was at the time paid for by individuals.

New Bedford. — Edmund Gardner.
5th mo 25 1863 — Edwd W Howland.
George Howland Jr
Charles R Tucker

attest Chs R Tucker
Clerk

6 mo 1863 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 mo 25. 1863

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm P Howland Nathan Bowman. Longplain Peter D Slade and Ed G Dillingham who are present.

Visit of Thos Smith and Elwood Ozbun

Our beloved friends Thomas Smith from Raisin Mo Meeting and Adrian Qr Meeting Michigan, and Elwood Ozbun from Salem Mo Meeting and Salem Qr Meeting Iowa, attended this Meeting with satisfactory certificates from their respective Monthly and Quarterly Meetings, expressing unity with them as ministers and with their present religious engagements, their company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to this Meeting.

Visit of Sarah E Jones

Our beloved friend Sarah Ellen Jones attended this Meeting with a satisfactory minute from China Mo Meeting, expressive of unity with her ministry and with her present religious engagements - her company and religious labors have been acceptable to us.

Nathan H Bond & Saml P Clark

Nathan H Bond companion to our friend Elwood Ozbun, and Samuel P Clark companion to our friend Thomas Smith, attended this Meeting with satisfactory testimonials from their friends, their company and solid deportment has been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with copies of the foregoing minuts, so far as they relate to each respectively.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to the 1. 2 and 10.th from our Preparative Meetings a Summary of which was adopted and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, we appoint our friends Jos. Tucker, Ed G Dillingham Marlboro Bradford and Edmund Gardner to attend that Meeting as our Representatives.

Removals S B Kempton H B Beattie

This Meeting unites with the women in approving removal certificates to Scipio Mo Meeting New York on behalf of Susan B Kempton and Hannah B Beattie, the latter having removed to reside with her husband.

The committee appointed in the third month to visit Henry F Shearman, made the following

6 Mo 1863 report, which being considered, we are united in retaining
Hy F Shearman him in membership, having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, Rufus Shearman and Benjamin Anthony are appointed to inform him hereof-

The friends named last month to inform Abm
Abm Tiber Wm Eddy Tiber and Wm Eddy of the conclusion of this Meeting in their cases respectively report, that they have been informed

Having at this time received our proportion of the
London Epistle London Printed Epistle for 1862 we appoint Rufus Shearman, Peter D Slade, John Wood Jr, Seth K Akin, Ed B Hiller, and Albert Wood to distribute them among our Members,

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Hy F Shearman, he seemed to be aware that he had violated the discipline, yet he expressed a preference for friends principles and wished to retain his right of Membership, and it is our judgement that it would be proper to retain him, which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford Seth K Akin
4 Mo 23. 1863. Ezra Kelley

attest Chs R Tucker
Clerk

7 Mo 23 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 7 Mo 23. 1863

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Henry F Wood Abm Barker - Longplain Corn l Macomber and Seth S Swift who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, they attended except one, who was prevented by illness.

The friends named last month to inform
Henry F Shearman Henry F Shearman of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case, report that they had attended to the appointment.

We are informed by Sandwich Qr Meeting that our proportion of Stock for
Qr Mtg Stock. the use of that Meeting the ensuing year is $ 312 50/100 dollars - Which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when the state of our funds will admit.

7 mo 1863 We are informed by New York Mo Meeting
John D that they have accepted a removal Certificate
Shearman from us on behalf of John D Shearman.

This Meeting unites with the womens Mtg
Tama in accepting a removal Certificate dated 6 mo
Gifford 25. 1863. from Sidney Mo Meeting on behalf of Tama Gifford.

We have received from our last Yearly
Meeting the report of the Boarding School
Yr Mtg committee and also 200 Copies of the printed
Extracts Minutes of that Meeting. The former includes
a copy of a letter from Jacob Metcalf, by
which he informs them that he has directed
the income arising from about $20.000.-
dolls of Bank Stock to be paid to the Treasurer of the School fund, to be used in
Schooling such children as said committee
may direct. We appoint Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood, Jabez Wood and Richd Davis to
make suitable enquiries respecting the fitness
of children who propose entering the School,
and to furnish them with certificates directed
to the principals.

The committee appointed last month to
Printed distribute the London printed Epistles, are
Minutes requested to distribute the printed minutes received at
this time among our members.

It is directed by this Meeting that the London
printed Epistle for 1862. be read at the close of
each of our particular Meetings for worship,
held on first day Morning.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk.

8 mo 1863 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held
8 mo 27. 1863

The Representatives to this Meeting are
from New Bedford Henry T Russell Rufus
Shearman. Longplain Edw G Dillingham
and John Wood who are present.

We are informed by Scipio Mo Meeting that
S B Kempton they had accepted removal certificates from
H B Beattie us on behalf of Susan B Kempton and Hannah
B Beattie.

We appoint Henry T Wood, Seth R Akin
Jabez Wood, Richard Davis, Elnathan E Delano

YEARLY MEETING, SIXTH MONTH, 1863.

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING:—

The committee appointed to superintend the Boarding School during the past year, report: that they have attended to their appointment, and have much satisfaction in being able to state that it is in a prosperous condition, and that the administration of its various concerns has been such as to meet their approval.

The number of pupils admitted into the School, for the summer term, was 87, viz., 53 males and 34 females; for the winter term, 166, viz., 98 males and 68 females.

The officers of the Institution have been,—Albert K. Smiley and Eliza P. Smiley, Principals; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; John F. Rowell, Rebecca H. Smiley and Ruth P. Nichols, Teachers of English branches; Rufus Read, Teacher of Mathematics; Charles R. Paine, Assistant Teacher of Greek and Latin; Alfred Gaudelet, Teacher of French; Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing. In the summer term, Rebecca D. Wing, and in the winter term, Bessie T. Wing were employed on account of the delicate health of Rebecca H. Smiley.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held in the School house on First day mornings, which have been uniformly satisfactory; and the scholars continue to attend meetings of Friends in the city, on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week.

The health of the inmates of the Institution has been generally very good, except that in the early part of the winter term it was interrupted by one or two cases of diphtheria, and several cases of pneumonia, one of which early assumed the typhoid form and proved fatal, in the person of Daniel Heustis Chace, of Bristol, Rhode Island, a young man nearly 21 years of age, son of Daniel and Harriet Chace. This dispensation of Divine Providence was thus noticed in the minutes of the committee:—"The removal by death of one of the pupils, above referred to, introduced us into a renewed and solemn sense of the uncertainty of life, and in this feeling our hearts were exercised in sympathy for the bereaved relatives, in the humble trust that they mourn not as those without hope, and that our Heavenly Father may be a present help in their severe affliction."

At our meeting in the 9th month, we received the following communication from our friend, Jacob Metcalf:—

"Providence, 9th mo. 10th, 1862.

To the Committee of New England Yearly Meeting Boarding School.
Dear Friends:

My father, Ebenezer Metcalf, having in his will bequeathed to the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, after my decease, under circumstances therein specified, sixty-five shares of the capital stock of the Manufacturers Bank, in Providence, (par value $6,500); one hundred and twenty shares of the Phenix Bank, Providence, (par value $6,000), one hundred shares of the New England Pacific Bank, Pawtucket; (par value $5,000); and one hundred shares of North Providence Bank, (par value, $5,000), for the education of poor children, in that Institution; and being desirous, in my lifetime, to contribute to the object contemplated by my dear father, I have this day authorized the Treasurer of the School fund to receive the dividends from the stocks above enumerated until otherwise ordered by me, to be applied as directed in said will, a copy of which, so far as relates to this bequest, I herewith present, reserving to myself the right of designating any child or children whom I may desire to receive the benefit of a part of said income, they being admitted subject to the Rules and Regulations of the School.

With my best wishes for the prosperity of the Institution,
I am your friend,
JACOB METCALF."

Upon receiving the foregoing communication, the following minute was placed upon our records, viz.:—

"This generous and liberal donation from our friend, Jacob Metcalf, is gratefully received by us, and we trust it will prove a blessing to many of the youth within our Yearly Meeting. We accept it as an evidence, on the part of our friend, of a desire to promote the best interests of those who need a helping hand in obtaining an education to qualify them for usefulness in the world, and desire that the benevolent donor may be blessed in his deed."

During the past year, a neat and convenient Astronomical Observatory has been erected on the School premises, and furnished with a telescope, transit instrument and clock; the expense of these instruments being mostly defrayed by the subscription of a few friends. The object aimed at is to give the scholars generally an opportunity of observing some of the more common and striking telescopic phenomena of the heavens, and more especially, to provide for those pursuing the study of Astronomy an opportunity of working practical problems by means of well-constructed instruments of moderate power. The more advanced pupils are accustomed to the free use of the instruments, and it is believed that in this way the study of Astronomy will be made more thorough and attractive.

By the report of the committee to examine the accounts of the Institution, it appears that the whole expenses for the past year have been defrayed by receipts from board and tuition, the products of the farm and fifty-two hundred dollars received from the Treasurer of the School fund, and that a balance of one hundred and one dollars remains in his hands. A large expenditure was required in painting the house and erecting the observatory, and further expenditures will soon be necessary for keeping the buildings in good repair. Notwithstanding this, and the greatly enhanced cost of all articles of consumption, we think it will be safe, under the prudent and skilful management of our Principals, to propose that prices for pupils remain the same as last year, viz.: $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting; $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or the scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such members; and $100 for any others, payable in all cases in advance, and that $5 additional charge continue to be made for instruction either in the ancient languages, in French or in Drawing, and that books and stationery be furnished as heretofore.

In conclusion, we may state that moral and religious instruction, including, especially, a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, has, we think, been faithfully attended to, and the pupils generally have given evidence of interest in these important exercises; and we thankfully trust that this Institution continues to be remembered by Him whose blessing alone can sustain us.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee,
GILBERT CONGDON, Clerk.

Providence, 5th mo. 12th, 1863.

NOTE.—The summer term, 1863, closes the 30th of 9th month.

The winter term, 1863–4, commences on fourth day, the 4th of 11th month, and closes the 23d of 3d month, 1864.

The summer term of 1864 commences fourth day, the 4th of 5th month.

REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

As the number that can be admitted into the School is limited, it is necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting in season to be laid before the committee at their meetings held in the *third* and *ninth* months. At these meetings, applications for members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others, after which they will be considered in the order in which they are received.

Applications for the benefit of the "charitable fund," or of "the Jacob Metcalf donation," will also be determined at the times above specified, and in all these cases information is desired of the age, moral habits and literary acquirements of the applicants, to aid the committee in deciding upon them.

It is expected, and earnestly desired, that *all* the scholars shall be at the School punctually, at the commencement of the term, for the prompt organization of classes; but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the School, or to give the notice above specified, will be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of pupils being admitted for the term and attending the School, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils and all others visiting the School will be expected to defray the expense arising therefrom to the Institution.

All applications for admission are to be made to the Principals.

Address,
ALBERT K. SMILEY,
Principal Friends Boarding School,
Providence, R. I.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Mo 1863 Josiah Holmes Jr and Rufus Sherman a committee
ucational to unite with the Educational committee of our
ommittee Yearly Meeting in endeavoring to promote the education of the youth of our Society.

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to
istribute The committee appointed to distribute the London general Epistle and the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting report that the Service has been performed.

enry D
Swift The committee appointed in the 5 month 1859 to visit Henry D Swift presented the following report, which being read and considered and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, we are united in continuing him a member of our religious Society - Henry T Wood and Chas R Tucker are appointed to inform him with this conclusion.

To the Monthly Meeting

Since our appointment in the fifth month 1859, We have had repeated opportunities with Henry D Swift, and of late to good satisfaction, he appears firmly attached to friends, and the principles of our Society - We would recommend that he be continued in membership, which we submit to the Meeting.

Charles R. Tucker.
New Bedford Henry T. Wood.
8 mo. 26 1863

South Dedham 8 mo 17 1863
To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting
Dear Friends

It is my wish if thought proper to be retained in membership with you. But would state that I am about dissolving my connection with the society of which I have been a member.

Yours Respectfully Henry D Swift.

Witness - Charles R Tucker
Clerk

9 M^o 1863 At New Bedford M^o Meeting held 9 M^o 24. 1863.

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford, Gideon Wood, Benj^n Anthony Longplain Joseph Kempton and Peter D Slade who are present.

The queries with answers from each of our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 and 10th have been read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Qr Meeting. Henry T Wood, David Shove, Richard Davis and Samuel Rodman are appointed to attend that Meeting as our representatives.

H D Swift The friends named last month to inform Henry D Swift of our conclusion in his case report, they have informed him.

Reuben R Howland Being informed by the overseers via New-Bedford Preparative Meeting that Reuben R Howland had married out of the order of our Society, we appoint Gideon Wood and Chs R Tucker to visit him on that account and report to a future Meeting.

The overseers inform that Reuben R Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

9 M^o 14. 1863 Wm Gifford
Matthew Howland } Overseers.

Committee on Funerals The committee appointed to have the oversight at funerals and care of Burial Grounds, presented the following report, which being read, was ordered to be recorded and the friends now under appointment viz, Wm P Howland Chs R Tucker, Geo Howland Jr Henry T Wood, Dan^l Davis, Edmund Gardner, Joseph Taber, Gid^n Wood, Jos T Tillinghast Rich^d Davis, Jos R Wing, Peter D Slade, Jabez Wood, John Wood Ed G Dillingham, Jos Kempton, E E Delano, Jon^a Cowin, J Holmes Jr, and Ed W Howland, are continued on that Service for the ensuing year and are requested to report in the ninth month next,

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to have the oversight of funerals, and care of burial grounds, have endeavored to give attention to their appointment.

Taber — All funerals held under the care of friends we believe have been attended by some of our number.

Our burial grounds remain in similar condition as reported last year.

In the erection of gravestones the past year friends have with one exception conformed to the order of our society

New Bedford 9 mo 23 1863

On behalf of the committee
Charles R. Tucker.
Jabez Wood.

Susan Howlands minute — Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty manner informed this Meeting that she felt that it was required of her to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of Baltimore and to visit some of the Meetings and families constituting it, as way may open for in the truth. after a time of solid deliberation her prospect was fully united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein under the guidance of best wisdom.

W C & R H Tabers minute — Our beloved friend Wm C Taber informed this Meeting, that he and his wife Rhoda H Taber felt willing to accompany their Sister Susan Howland on her proposed religious visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting as set forth in her certificate, which being freely united with, they were liberated for that Service. He being an Elder and she a Minister in unity and well esteemed by us.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

Hannah Hall — We unite with the womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Rhode Island Mo Meeting on behalf of Hannah Hall. dated 5 mo 23. 1863.

We unite with women friends in continuing Elizabeth W Pond late being a member of our religious Society, she having married with one who is not in membership with us.

atts Charles R Tucker Clerk

10 Mo 1863 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 10 Mo 22d 1863

The Representatives named in the accounts to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph T Tillinghast, Rufus Shearman, Longplain Albert Wood and John R Davis Jr who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, they all attended.

The committee appointed last month to visit Reuben R Howland on account of his deviation in marriage - made the following report, which being considered was accepted, and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, he is retained a member of our Religious Society. and Chas R Tucker is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Reuben R Howland on account of his deviation in marriage. He manifested much regard for friends, and acknowledging his departure from the order of Society, he expressed an earnest wish to be retained a member, which we submit to the Meeting.

Reuben R Howland retained

New Bedford
10 Mo 21. 1863.

Charles R Tucker
Gideon Wood

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Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

11 Mo 1863 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 11 Mo 26. 1863

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Wm Barker Hy T Wood - Longplain Joseph Kempton and John Wood Jr. who are present.

The Queries have been read with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 & 10. a Summary of which was adopted, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting. We appoint Rufus Shearman John Wood Jr Peter T Slade and Benjamin Anthony to attend as our representatives.

Aaron Upjohn having made application via New Bedford Preparative Meeting to be received into Membership - we appoint Rufus Shearman and Wm G Baker to visit him on that acct and report to a future Meeting

Aaron Upjohn

11 Mo 26 Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned at this time a certificate granted her in Ninth Month last - she presented a returning minute from

Susan Howland Baltimore Yearly Meeting, stating that her company and Gospel labors had been acceptable to them. She informed us that she had been mercifully favored to attend that meeting and to perform such other service as seemed required at her hands, and to return with the reward of peace - which is satisfactory to friends.

Our beloved friends William C Faber and his Wife Rhoda H Faber, returned to this meeting a minute furnished them in the

Wm C & R H Faber. 9 month to accompany their Sister Susan Howland on her religious visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting, They presented returning minutes from that Meeting stating that their Company and her gospel labors had been acceptable to them. They informed friends that they had been enabled to perform the visit to the satisfaction of their own minds, and returned with thankful hearts - all of which is satisfactory to this Meeting

We are informed by our Overseers that they believe it would be proper for this Meeting to ask the Quarterly

Qr Meeting Meeting to extend care in the Settlement of a case which now exist between a member of this Meeting and one or more members of another Mo Meeting which is united with, and the clerk is directed to include the above minute in our acct to the Qr Meeting.

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

12 Mo 1863 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 12 Mo 24. 1863

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Edward W Howland, Henry Russell - Longplain Seth S. Swift and John Wood, who are present except one, who we are informed is absent from ill health.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended.

12 Mo 1863 We appoint Edward W Howland, William P Howland and Jona Cowin to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts, propose a sum

Auditors necessary to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and the name of a friend for Treasurer - also to audit the several Trust funds held under the direction of this Meeting and report next month.

Prince A Wicks requests a removal certificate to NewYork Mo Meeting - Richd Davis

Prince A Wicks and Peter D Slade are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future Meeting.

The friend named to inform Reuben R

R R Howland Howland that his request to be continued a member had been granted, reports that he had attended to it.

Charles R Tucker Clerk

1 Mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 1 Mo 28. 1864.

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are, from New Bedford Matthew Howland, Joseph Taber Longplain Peter D Slade and Albert Wood who are present.

The committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts

Stock and appointment of Treasurer and for other purposes, made the following report, which being read was approved, and Henry T Wood is reappointed Treasurer of this meeting for the ensuing year or untill another appointment. And Seth K Akin, David G Wood, Albert Wood, Richard Davis, Elnathan E Delano and Wm G Wood are appointed to receive the subscriptions of friends for $600.- the sum proposed to be raised, and present to this Meeting the Treasurers receipt for the same when accomplished.

We appoint Joseph Taber, Geo Howland Jr,

Educational Fund Richd Davis, Edw G Dillingham and Chs R Tucker, to have the care of the income from the Educational fund left by our friend Abm Shearman Jr for the ensuing year.

1 Mo 1864 Wm C Taber, Henry T Wood, Edw W Howland, William Gifford and Geo Howland Jr are appointed to unite with a Similar Committee of women friends, to have the distribution of the income arising from the Charitable fund left by our late friend Abm Shearman Jr for the coming year.

Charitable fund

The committee appointed last month presented a removal certificate for Prince A Wicks to New York Mo Meeting, which was approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to Sign the same, and forward it to that Meetg.

Removal P A Wicks

The friend named in the 12 mo 1861 to inform Jos T Shearman that he had been retained a member of this meeting, reports that the service has been performed, and that Joseph's absence from home occasioned the delay.

Jos T Shearman

The time having expired for which the overseers of this Meeting were appointed, we now appoint William Gifford, Matthew Howland and Henry T Wood in New Bedford Preparative Meeting, and Joseph Kempton Richard Davis and John Wood in Longplain Preparative Meeting, overseers for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Overseers

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have examined the account of Henry T. Wood, Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting and found it correct, showing a balance in his hands of twenty eight 72/100 dollars, and we would recommend that the sum of Six hundred dollars be raised for the use of the Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year, and the reappointment of Henry T Wood for Treasurer.

We have also examined the account of the committee having the care of the income from the charitable fund of our late friend Abm Shearman, and found it correct, showing that twenty three individuals had been aided by the committee, and the amount distributed One hundred and fifteen dollars, and a balance of forty six dollars in the hands of the committee.

We have examined the account of the

1 mo 1864 committee having the cares of the Educational fund also from our late friend Abm Shearman Jr and found it corect, showing that fifty two 55/100 dollars had been paid for the tuition and board of two Scholars at the Boarding School at Providence leaving a balance in the hands of the Committee of Thirty nine 57/100 dollars.

We have also examined the account of the Trustees of the Estate of John West, found it correct, showing that eighty six individuals had been aided, the amount distributed Five hundred seventeen 59/100 dollars and a balance remaining of Forty Seven 73/100 dollars in the hands of the Trustees

New Bedford 1mo 27 1864
Wm P Howland
Edw W Howland

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

2 mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 2 Mo 25. 1864.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Shearman, Wm Gifford. Longplain Joseph Kempton. and Edw G Dillingham who are present.

We have received at this time a communication from our Meeting for Sufferings in relation to the increased charge for Schollars at our Boarding School at Providence, which being read was duly noticed, and ordered to be recorded, and acknowledged in our accts to the Quarterly Meeting.

Boarding School

" At a meeting for Sufferings held at Providence 3d of 2d Month 1864.

The following communication was received from our Boarding School committee, viz:-

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House, 2nd mo 2nd 1864.
To the Meeting for Sufferings-
Dear Friends: The great advance in the cost of all

supplies required for the Boarding School, has claimed our renewed attention at this time; and after a careful consideration of the subject it was concluded to apply to our Meeting for Sufferings, for its approval of the following changes in the rates of admission to this Institution, to take effect at the commencement of the next Term.

Meeting for Sufferings

For members of this Yearly Meeting, $55.00 per term. For members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such, $80.00 per term. For any others who may be admitted $125.00 per term. The same additional charge for Latin and Greek, French, German, or Drawing as heretofore.

By direction of the School Committe.

Gilbert Congdon, Clerk.

And this Meeting believing that the School cannot be sustained at the present enhanced cost of supplies, without an advance in the price for board and tuition, after a time of consideration, approves of the several propositions made by the Committee, and they are accordingly adopted, as the terms upon which pupils are to be admitted.

By direction of the meeting,
Samuel Boyce, Clerk.

Almira Sisson

We appoint William Gifford and Henry T Wood to unite with a similar committee of women friends in the case of Almira Sisson who has requested for herself and two minor children Viz: Joseph S and Sarah S Sisson to be received into membership with us.

Stock

The committee appointed last month to receive the subscriptions of friends for the use of this the present year, presented the Treasurers receipt for six hundred dollars, the sum proposed to be raised.

3 Mo 1864 Josiah Holmes Jr the Surviving Executor to the Will of Abner Pease late of Fairhaven deceased, presented to this Meeting the following decree made by the Supreme Judicial Court, in the case of said Will, which the clerk is directed to place upon our Records. 193.

Bristol ss. Supreme Judicial Court

R. W. Dexter & Josiah Holmes Ex'rs in Equity
vs. Edmund Gardner & others.

And now the said Dexter having deceased on the twenty seventh day of April in the year 1862 and the cause having been prosecuted thereafter by the said Josiah Holmes, as the surviving executor of the last Will and Testament of the said Abner Pease, and the cause having been brought to a hearing upon the pleadings and proofs, and due consideration thereof being had, the Court are of opinion and do adjudge and decree that the bequest of the testator in his Will of the remainder of his personal estate, not otherwise disposed of, the income of which to be appropriated for the Benefit of the Friends Meeting in said Fairhaven and Rochester, is a Charity or Charitable bequest and not void as a violation of the rule against perpetuities or otherwise.

And that by the phrase in the Will Friends Meeting in Fairhaven & Rochester the beneficiary as aforesaid is designated meant & intended the Long Plain Preparative Meeting.

And this Court being of the opinion that the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting as a body corporate, by the Statutes of the Commonwealth are entitled to take and hold in trust forever, said residue and remainder of said personal Estate, do therefore adjudge and decree that the said Holmes as such surviving Executor of the Will of said Abner Pease, after paying all parties, to this suit out

Copy of the decree by the Supreme Judicial Court in relation to Abner Pease's Will &c.

2 m. 1864 of the funds their costs of this suit as between solicitor and client, do pay over the said rest residue and remainder of the testator's personal estate to the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting for the time being, in trust forever & to be held by said overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting, for the time being upon the trust that the income thereof be appropriated for the benefit of the Friends Meeting aforesaid that is to say for the benefit of the Long Plain Preparative Meeting as set forth in said Will.

And it is further decreed, that there be allowed and paid by said Holmes as Executor, to all the parties to this suit, their costs of this suit as between solicitor and client, said costs to be fixed and determined in and by a supplementary decree and after the passing of such supplementary decree, and the payment of said costs out of said residue according to such supplementary decree, that said Josiah Holmes as such surviving Executor do pay said residue and remainder of said personal estate over to the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting, to hold in trust forever as herein before set forth.

And it is further ordered that after the Entry of such supplementary decree as to costs and payments of said costs, and after paying over said residue to said overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting as a body coporate, in trust forever the said Josiah Holmes as executor do render a report and account of his doings under this decree & said supplementary decree to this Court, for examination approval and confirmation

By the Court.

R. A. Chapman J. S. J. C.

A true copy
Attest Simeon Borden Clerk

Western Union Telegraph

2 M° 1864. The committee under appointment within the limits of New Bedford Preparative Meeting, to render aid to the suffering refugees from Slavery, made the following report, which being read was interesting and satisfactory to this Meeting, and they are encouraged to avail themselves of every right opening to promote the interest and wellbeing of that downtrodden class of the human family.

Refugees from Slavery

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed within the limits of New Bedford M° Meeting to receive contributions in aid of the Coloured freed people would now inform that they have collected since their last report through the liberality of friends and others of this city with additions from some friends of Long Plain Dartmouth and Westport six hundred and seventeen dollars of which sum six hundred thirteen dollars and 24 cents have been expended for cloth clothing &c and been forwarded for distribution among that people whose destitution and sufferings have excited so much sympathy throughout the country.

In the 10 month last the committee sent to J. T. Ferris commandant of Contraband Camp at Washington one barrel containing about 356 yds of cloth with needles thread &c having been informed that many of the women could make it up for themselves with such assistance as they could have in the camp. And in the 12th mo last, there was sent to the same person one barrel, containing 68 new & second hands garments for Women & children, with 36 pairs shoes, the receipt of which has been acknowledged by the person to whom they were sent.

On the 7th of 1st month six barrels containing 266 articles of second hand clothing & bedding & 34 pairs shoes collected principally in this city were sent to New York to be forwarded by the committee of Friends there, and on the 22nd of the same month two barrels, with 227 Garments & 51 pairs Stockings and two barrels of se

2 Mo 1864 cond hand clothing & bedding from Long Plain numbering 102 articles were sent to the same address. They have also purchased and forwarded 175 pairs of shoes for women & children

Our New York friends report the receipt of the goods and inform that six barrels of second hand clothing were sent to Nashville, the last four barrels were to go to Yorktown or Norfolk and the shoes to Alexandria

Recapitulation of goods forward by the committee the present

380 yards of cloth for garments for women & children
283 New Garments
314 Second hand articles
257 pairs Shoes
105 pairs Stockings

Making 959 articles   Amount collected 617 —
Collected & forwarded in winter 62 & 63 } 699 Articles   Amt collected 422 —
whole amt. 1658 " & 380 yds cloth $1039 —

For the Committee
New Bedford   Saml Rodman.
2/22 1864.   Sarah H Anthony.

Jacob Almy Disowned — The committee appointed in the first Mo 1863 to visit our members who had enlisted in the Army, made the following report, in the Case of Jacob Almy which being read and considered, and having the concurrence of the Women we disown him as a member of our religious Society, and Charles R Tucker is appointed to inform him hereof, and report when accomplished.

To the Mo Meeting

Report — The committee appointed in the cases of Several of our young men who have joined the army, report at this time that some of their number have had two opportunities with Jacob Almy. He received them respectfully but informed them that he had entertained for several years a decided preferance for a military

2 mo 1864 like, and with this in view he had obtained admittance to the United States Military School at West point, where he has since gone and in which he has been accepted as a pupil. He also told them that with his views in relation to war he did not consider it consistant to remain a member of our religious Society.

Not seeing any prospect of further availing labor in this case we would refer it to the Monthly Meeting.

On behalf of the committee.

New Bedford   Daniel Davis
2 mo 24. 1864.   Wm C. Taber
Henry T. Wood
Chs R Tucker

Aaron Upjohn Received

The committee appointed in the 11 mo to visit Aaron Upjohn on account of his request to be received into membership presented the following report, which being read and considered was fully united with, and having the unity of the Womens Meeting, we receive him as a member of our religious Society and Wm C Taber is named to inform him of this conclusion.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

In accordance with appointment we have visited Aaron Upjohn on account of his application to be received into membership to a good degree of satisfaction, we believe that he has a decided preference for the principles of our Society, and a good degree of information in regard to our doctrines and testimonies.

After a thoughtful consideration of the case we are united in judgement that it would be safe to receive him into membership. Which we submit to the Meeting.   Rufus Shearman
New Bedford 2 mo 25. 1864.   Wm C Taber

atts; Charles R Tucker Clerk

3 Mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 mo 24. 1864

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Saml Rodman, Seth K Akin, Longplain Arnold G Tripp and Isaac Hiller, who are present.

The Queries have been read with answers from our Preparative Meetings, a Summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, and we appoint Rufus Shearman, Gideon Wood, Geo Howland Jr and Richard Davis to attend as our representatives.

Tho C Howland We are informed by our overseers via New-Bedford Preparative Meetg that Thomas C Howland has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not a member, Benja Anthony and Rufus Shearman are appointed to visit him on that account, and to report to a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting

Thomas C Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

3 mo 16. 1864.

William Gifford
Matthew Howland
Overseers

A. Upjohn The friend named last Mo to inform Aaron Upjohn that he had been admitted to membership with us, report that he had performed that service.

Qr Meetg Stock. We are informed that our proportion of Qr Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Refugees The committee under appointment within the limits of Longplain Preparative Meeting to aid the refugees from Slavery, made the following report, which was interesting and satisfactory to the Meeting, and they are encouraged to render such further assistance to that suffering class as way may open for. and the clerk is directed to forward to the Quarterly Meeting an abstract from the reports which have been received, embracing the the amount of what has been accomplished.

Over.

3 mo 1864 To the Mo Meeting.

That portion of the Committee within the limits of Longplain Preparative Meeting, appointed to make collections for the benefit of the "Freedmen"

Report. Report. That they have forwarded to Marshall Dickerson & Co New York, with the request that they would send them to those places where they were most needed, articles of Clothing &c as follows;

232 garments, 6 pairs of Stockings
2 pairs of Mittings 13 articles of bedding
23 Hats, 1 handkerchief, 11 yards of Cloth

and $\$50\frac{75}{100}$ dollars in money. Two barrels of clothing were sent by friends of Fairhaven Meeting, no acct of which was taken.

In the 11 month last a barrel was sent to Washington N C containing

46 Articles of Clothing 9 of bedding
2 caps 2 pr Shoes 1 pr gloves 2 pr Stockings
a package of books and a box of pens.

The whole amo of Money which has been collected is $\$97.51$

For the committee
Acushnet 3 m 23.1864. Jabez Wood
Witness -
Charles R Tucker Clerk.

4 mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 mo 28. 1864,

The Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber, Nathan Bowman. Longplain Jos R Wing, John Wood who are present,

The representatives to the Qr Meeting report they attended.

Overseers Poor The time for which the overseers of the poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired - We appoint Edmund Gardner Wm Gifford, Geo Howland Jr. Seth R. Akin John Wood, Richd Davis, Jabez Wood, Rufus Shearman and Elnathan E Delano to that Service for one year or untill another appointment;

Being informed by the following Communication from the overseers through

4 Mo 1864 New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Francis
T Akin has married out of the order of our
F T Akin Society, we appoint Geo Howland Jr and Saml
Rodman to visit him on that acct and
report at a future Meeting.

The committee appointed last month
to visit Thomas C Howland on acct of his
deviation in marriage presented the follow-
Thos C ing report, which being considered was
Howland united with, and having the concurrence
of the Women we continue him a member
of this Meeting, and appoint Benjn Anthony
to inform him hereof.

The committee appointed in the 2d
month on acct of the request of Almira
Almira Sisson to be received into membership
Sisson presented the following report which being
& united with by this and the Womens Meeting
Children she with her minor children Joseph S and
and Sarah S Sisson are received as mem-
bers of our religious Society, Dartmouth Mo
Meeting having expressed their unity in
writing she having formerly been a
member of that Meeting.

E Fanny This Meeting unites with the women
Sisson in receiving E Fanny Sisson into membership
with us.

To the Mo Meeting

Francis T Akin has married out of
the order of our Society with one who
is not a member.

4 Mo 21. 1864 Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood } Overseers.

To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited
Thomas C Howland on acct of his deviation in
Report marriage to a good degree of satisfaction. He
appeared sensible of having deviated from
the order of our discipline, but manifested
a desire to retain his right of Membership.
which we submit to the judgment of
the Meeting.

4 Mo 28, 1864. Benjamin Anthony
Rufus Sherman

4 mo 1864 To the Mo Meeting

Report. The committee appointed on account of the request of Almira Sisson wife of David Sisson, for herself and two minor children Jos E and Sarah E Sisson to be admitted into membership, Report, that they have visited the family to good satisfaction, being convinced of the sincerity of the request, and that it was made from a sense of duty we are united in believing that it will be safe to receive them.

For the Committee

4 mo 27. 1864. Wm Gifford

Dorcas F. Tucker.

Susan Howland's minute Our beloved friend Susan Howland a Minister in unity with us in a weighty manner informed this Meeting that she had for several months felt drawn in gospel love to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and Smithfield, and to visit the Meetings and families constituting them, so far as way may open for it in the truth, and believed the time had now come for her to resign herself for that service. After a time of solid deliberation her prospect was fully united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein under the guidance of best wisdom.

Lydia Congdon Our esteemed friend Lydia Congdon informed friends that she felt willing to accompany her sister Susan Howland on her proposed religious visit to Rhode Island and Smithfield Qr Meetings. We liberate her for that service with the full unity of this Meeting, she being an Elder well esteemed by us.

The clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes so far as they relate to each respectively.

attest Charles R. Tucker Clerk.

5 Mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 5 Mo 26.
1864.
The Representatives appointed to attend this
Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Tucker
Henry T Wood - Longplain Jonathan Cowin
and Edward B. Hiller Who are present.

The time for which the clerks of this Meeting
were appointed having expired, Charles R Tucker
Clerks is reappointed clerk and Matthew Howland
assistant for the ensuing year, or untill
another appointment.

The friend named to inform Jacob Almy
Jacob of the conclusion of this Meeting in his
Almy case, reports that he has been informed
by letter, and an answer received.

Friends of Fairhaven have requested
through Longplain Preparative Meeting to
Fairhaven have their afternoon Meetings on First
Meeting days discontinued, the consideration of
which is refered to next Month.

This Meeting unites with the Women
Mary V. in admitting Mary V Bennett into membership
Bennett agreeable to her request.

We unite with the Womens Meeting in
Lucy Carlburg accepting removal Certificates on behalf of
Caroline E. " Lucy Carlburg wife of James Carlburg, and
Sarah A Snow. their daughter Caroline E Carlburg. Also
for Sarah A Snow, all from Dartmouth
Mo Meeting.

Benjamin Anthony informed Friends
Ths C that he had acquainted Thomas C Howland
Howland with the conclusion of this Meeting in his
case - he being named for that Service
last Month.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

6 Mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 Mo 23 1864
The Representatives appointed to attend this
Meeting are from New Bedford David S Wood
Jos T Tillinghast - Longplain Edward G. Dillingham
and John Wood - who are present.

Our beloved friends Jonathan Devol of
Moreau Mo Meeting New York, James Jones of
China Mo Meeting Maine, and Sarah Ann Linton

6 Mo. 1864
Visit
of
Jon^a Devol
James Jones
and
Sarah Ann
Linton

from Center Monthly Meeting Ohio, attended this Meeting, and presented satisfactory certificates from their respective Meetings, expressive of unity with them as Ministers, and with their present religious engagements, their company and religious labors have been acceptable to us.

Lucinda Hadley
and
Mary Jane
Devol.

Our esteemed friends Lucinda Hadley companion to our friend Sarah Ann Linton, and Mary Jane Devol who accompanies her husband Jonathan Devol attended this Meeting and presented satisfactory minutes the former from Springfield Mo. Meeting Ohio, and the latter from Mohican Mo Meeting N.Y. expressing unity with them as Elders and with their present present prospects - their company and exemplary deportment have been acceptable to friends - and the clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with copies of this minute so far as it relates to each respectively.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2d and 10th. a summary of which was approved, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Qr Meeting, and Daniel Davis, Wm Gifford, Richard Davis and Josiah Holmes Jr are appointed to attend as our representatives.

Francis
T. Akin

The committee appointed in the 4th month to visit Francis T. Akin on acct of his deviation in marriage, made the following report, which being considered was acceptable to the Meeting, and with the concurrence of the Women's, we retain him a member of our religious society, and appoint Geo Howland Jr to inform him hereof.

To the Mo Meeting

Report

The undersigned a committee appointed in the 4th Mo to visit Francis T. Akin on acct of his deviation in marriage. Report.

That they have given attention to their appointment and have had an interview with him very much to their satisfaction.

He stated that this had always been his Meeting, and that both himself and wife should continue to consider it their Meeting, and should generally attend. He also expressed

YEARLY MEETING, Sixth month, 1864.

"To the Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends: The Committee appointed to Superintend the Boarding School during the past year, report: that, in the Summer Term of the School, there were in attendance, one hundred and twenty-one pupils, viz: seventy-one males and fifty females, and in the Winter Term, one hundred and seventy-two, viz: one hundred males and seventy-two females.

The officers of the Institution have been,—Albert K. Smiley, Principal; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; John F. Rowell, Bessie T. Wing, Mary A. Cornell, Teachers in the English Branches; Rufus Read, Teacher of Mathematics; William B. Phillips, Teacher of Ancient and Modern Languages; and Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing. In the Summer Term, Elma M. Dame, and in the Winter Term, Amy E. Johnson were also engaged in the English Department, and since the commencement of the Winter Term, Rebecca H. Smiley has occupied the position of Principal of the Female Department; it having been necessary for Eliza P. Smiley, who has been acceptably associated with her husband in the government of the School, early in the summer to withdraw from active duties on account of her impaired health. The concerns of the Institution have been satisfactorily administered under this organization.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the School House on First day mornings, and have been uniformly satisfactory; and the scholars continue to attend Meetings of Friends in the city, on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week. A knowledge of the Holy Scriptures has been promoted by daily readings, and exercises on he First day of the week; and other openings to advance the highest nterest of the scholars, have been improved.

The health of the inmates of the Institution has been generally good, except that, in the Winter Term, it was interrupted by the prevalence to a considerable extent, of mild indisposition, assuming the form, in several cases, of Diphtheria; all of whom recovered except Lucy Collins, daughter of William B. Collins, of Peekskill, N. Y., who died on the 10th of 1st month, in the sixteenth year of her age. To commemorate the grace of our Holy Redeemer, signally manifested in her closing hours, we present the following extract from the Report of he Principal to us. 'All who had the privilege of witnessing the joy which animated the countenance of this dear girl, and hearing the almost constant expressions of love to her Saviour, of faith in His promises, and her trust that she would soon be forever happy, were deeply moved, and such thought that Heaven was indeed brought very near to them.'

This solemn event was thus noticed in the Minutes of the Committee. 'The account of the removal of our dear young friend has produced on our minds renewed sympathy for the afflicted relatives, mingled with gratitude for this bright, happy close,—so full of the glorious hopes of a blessed immortality through *Him* who loved us and gave Himself for us."

On the 16th of 3d month another death occurred, from pulmonary disease. Rufus Read died, after a short and severe illness, in his 25th year. We believed it due to the memory of our dear departed friend, to preserve, on the Records of the Committee, the following minute: In the decease of Rufus Read, who for three and a half years had been very satisfactorily engaged as the Mathematical Teacher, we realize that this Institution has sustained a great loss. His faithful and efficient services were enhanced by a peculiar kindness, and readiness to assist in any department whenever called upon, while his amiable and unobtrusive manners endeared him to his associates.

His life thus suddenly terminated in the early meridian of his usefulness, was marked, at its close, by a clear demonstration of the truth, hat, at such an hour, man has nothing to depend upon but the mercy of God in Christ Jesus. To those who stood around his dying bed, it was nstructive and affecting to witness in one endeared to all who intimately knew him, his deep sense of the sinfulness of the human heart, and his earnest applications for the interposition of the ever-living Son of God. How full of grace and consolation is the Redeemer's promise, "Him that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out," and we reverently trust that our dear departed friend witnessed its validity, and is now realizing that, "To depart and be with Christ is far better."

His conflict of spirit was very great, occasioned by the consciousness, notwithstanding he had been remarkably engaged to discharge his social and relative duties, that the strength of his days had not been sufficiently devoted to loving and serving such a gracious Saviour;—to us a solemn warning to strive that our day's work may be done in the day time. We sympathize with his afflicted relatives and friends, desiring that they may be favored to draw near to the Father of mercies and "God of all comfort."

These dispensations of Divine Providence, impressive to all, were, we hope, especially blessed to some, in the awakening to newness of life.'

By the report of the committee to examine and settle the accounts of the Institution, it appears that the whole expense, for the past year, has exceeded the amount received from all sources, about twelve hundred dollars. This deficiency has been occasioned by the greatly enhanced cost of all the supplies for the School. This subject had claimed our attention for some time past, but at our meeting in the Second Month it was concluded that the interests of the School imperiously required of us to apply to the Meeting for Sufferings for its sanction of the following advance in the rates of admission, to take effect at the commencement of the Summer Term,—which was approved of by that Meeting, and the prices, thus altered, will be as follows: $55 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; $80 per term for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or the scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such members; and $125 for any others who may be admitted. An additional charge of $5 continues to be made for Latin and Greek, French, German or Drawing. Although the cost of provisions has largely advanced since that time, we hope, with the continuation of the prudent management of our Principals, that the increased rates may sustain the School without incurring a debt.

In conclusion, we would reverently and gratefully acknowledge the continued mercies of Him, our gracious Care Taker and Head, who alone can prosper the work of our hands.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee.

GILBERT CONGDON, *Clerk.*

Providence, 5th Mo., 10th, 1864.

Note.—Summer term of 1864 closes, 9th Mo. 28th, 1864.
Winter term opens, 11th Mo., 2d, 1864.
Summer term opens, 5th Mo., 3d, 1865.

REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

As the number that can be admitted into the School is limited, it is necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, in season to be laid before the committee at their meetings held in the *third* and *ninth* months. At these meetings, applications for members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others, after which they will be considered in the order in which they are received.

Applications for the benefit of the "charitable fund," or of "the Jacob Metcalf donation," will also be determined at the times above specified, and in all these cases, information is desired of the age, moral habits and literary acquirements of the applicants, to aid the committee in deciding upon them."

It is expected, and earnestly desired, that *all* the scholars shall be at the School punctually, at the commencement of the term, for the prompt organization of classes; but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the School, or to give the notice above specified, will be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of pupils being admitted for the term and attending the School, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and all others, visiting the School, will be expected to defray the expense arising therefrom to the Institution.

All applications for admission are to be made to the Principals.

Address, ALBERT K. SMILEY,
Principal Friends Boarding School,
Providence, R. I.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

6 Mo 1864 a strong desire to retain his right of membership.
Which is respectfully submitted.

New Bedford   George Howland Jr
6 Mo 20, 1864.   Sam^l Rodman

London Epistle Having received 175 copies of the London printed Epistle for 1863. David^r G Wood, Rufus Sherman John Wood Jr, Seth R Akin, Richard Davis Jr, Edw B Hiller and Albert Wood, are appointed to distribute them among our members - and friends are requested to have a copy of the same read at the close of each of our Meetings for Worship on some first day morning -

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk.

7 Mo 1864 At New Bedford M^o Meeting held 7 M^o 28. 1864.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Abm Tucker Charles Taber - Longplain John R Davis Jr and Edw B Hiller - Who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting report they all attended,

Jabez Wood Jabez Wood having requested a certificate on acc^t of marriage to Pembroke M^o Meeting we appoint Richard Davis and Edw G Dillingham to take the necessary care in the case and report next Month.

to T Akin The friend named last Month to inform ~~Thomas~~ Francis T Akin with our conclusion in his case reports that he has informed him.

Qr Meeting Stock We are informed by Sandwich Qr Meeting that our proportion of stock for the use of that Meeting the ensuing year is $1400 - dollars fifty per ct.) Which our Treasurer is directed to pay to Matthew Howland Trea^s of the Quarterly Meeting when the state of our Treasury will admit.

We have received extracts from our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee and 207 copies of the printed minutes of that Meeting, The former being read was interesting to us, especially that portion referring to the deaths

7 M° 1864 of Lucy Collins and Rufus Reed, both of these were remarkable instances of Divine

Yr Mtg Grace. We appoint Matthew Howland Henry T Wood and Rich^d Davis to make suitable enquiries respecting the fitness of children who propose entering the school, and to furnish them with certificates addressed to the principal.

Sandwich Qr Meeting held 7 M° 7. 1864

It is concluded to raise $800.- dollars for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and our M° Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportions to Matthew Howland our Treasurer. The quota of New Bedford M° Meeting is 50% p' 400.-

It is proposed that a new apportionment be made among our M° Meetings in the 7th month next year.

From the Minutes

Charles R Tucker clerk

To New Bedford M° Meeting.

Documents The committee appointed last month to distribute documents, are requested to distribute the printed minutes received at this time among our members.

It is concluded that the afternoon

Fairhaven Meeting Meetings on First-days in Fairhaven be continued as usual for the remainder of the season.

We have received and read a communication addressed to the M° Meetings composing N E Yearly Meeting, issued

Com on Freedmen by the committee appointed at our last Yr Meeting to aid the Freedmen, by which it appears that friends have taken a deep interest in relieving that suffering class of the human family, which is interesting to us, and we refer said address to the committee appointed in the 12 M° 1862, by this Meeting upon that subject - and Henry Parker, Hy Russell, Jos R King, Ezra Kelley, Dan^l Davis, Gid^n Wood, Chs Taber, and Math Howland are appointed to unite with said committee, to carry out the concern of the Yr Meeting.

Atts. Charles R Tucker Clerk

FROM OUR

MEETING FOR SUFFERINGS,

Held at Lynn, 8mo., 17th, 1864.

To the Monthly Meetings of Friends, of New England Yearly Meeting

DEAR FRIENDS :—

The great advance in the cost of provisions, and of all expenses incurred in sustaining our Boarding School has at this time claimed our very serious consideration, and it being evident from statements now received, that the expenses of the Institution cannot be met, without raising the price of board and tuition, this Meeting believes it to be its duty, in fulfilling the trust confided to it by the Yearly Meeting, to increase the price for the admission of scholars ; and it is therefore concluded that after the expiration of the present term, the price charged for board and tuition shall be as follows, viz.:

For members of this Yearly Meeting, One Hundred Dollars per Term.

For members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or scholars are sent at the charge of such, One Hundred and Thirty Dollars per Term.

And for any others who may be admitted, One Hundred and Sixty Dollars per Term. The same additional charges for Latin, Greek, French, German, or Drawing, as heretofore.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYCE, CLERK.

8 Mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 8 Mo 25, 1864,

The Representatives named in the accounts from the Preparative Meetings are from New Bedford Ezra Kelley, Wm Gifford Longplain Peter L Slade and Seth H Bradford who are present except one.

David Davis David Davis having requested a removal certificate to Sandwich Mo Meeting, we appoint Wm C Taber and Hy T Wood to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future Meeting,

Jabez Wood A certificate on behalf of Jabez Wood to Pembroke Mo Meeting on account of Marriage is approved.

Susanah Cannon We unite with the women in granting the request of Susanah Cannon to be received into membership with us.

Boarding School. A minute issued by our Meeting for Sufferings held at Lynn 8 Mo 17, 1864 in relation to the increased price to be charged for board and tuition of scholars at our Boarding School has been received and read in this Meeting which is as follows.

Educational committee The Educational committee appointed in the eighth month last year viz - Henry T Wood, Seth H Akin, Jabez Wood, Richard Davis, Elnathan E Adams, Josiah Holmes Jr and Rufus Sherman are reappointed to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment,

The committee appointed to distribute the London Epistle and the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, report that the service has been performed,

Attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

9 mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 9 mo 22. 1864

The Representatives appointed to attend the Meeting are from New Bedford Benjn Anthony Jos S Tillinghast, Longplain Richd Davis and Arnold G Fish who are present.

The Queries with answers from one of our Preparative Meetings have been read to the 1. 2d and tenth, which were approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meetg. and we appoint our friends Jos Kempton, Jos R Wing, Matthew Howland and Samuel Rodman to attend that Meeting as our representatives.

Our beloved friends Elizabeth Comstock of Rollin Mo Meeting and Adrian Qr Meeting

Eliz Comstock and M A Peckhams visit Michigan, and Mary A Peckham of New Hartford Mo Meeting and Butternuts Qr Meeting New York attended this Meeting with certificates from their friends expressive of unity with them as ministers and with their present religious engagements. Their company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us. and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minute so far as it relates to each respectively.

Our beloved friend Daniel Peckham who accompanies his wife Mary A Peckham attended

Daniel Peckham this Meeting with a satisfactory minute from New Hartford Mo Meeting N York — His company and solid deportment have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Our esteemed friend Joseph Kempton informed

Joseph Kempton this Meeting that he felt willing to accompany Elizabeth Gifford of Sandwich Mo Meeting on her proposed religious visit within the limits of Smithfield and Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings — which was fully united with he being an Elder in unity with us.

Our esteemed friend Susan G Kempton a

Eliz G Kempton. member of this Meeting informed us that she felt willing to accompany ~~our~~ friend Elizabeth Gifford of Sandwich Mo Meeting on her proposed religious visit within the limits of Rhode Island and Smithfield Qr Meetings.

9 Mo 1864 which was fully united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein, and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes so far as they relate to each respectively.

Daniel Davis Removal — A removal certificate to Sandwich Mo Meeting on behalf of Daniel Davis is approved, having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

The committee under appointment to have the oversight of funerals and care of burial grounds made the following "Report" which being read was satisfactory to the Meeting, and it was ordered to be recorded – and we appoint Wm P Howland, Chs R Tucker, Geo Howland Jr, Henry T Wood, Edmd Gardner, Gideon Wood, Wm [illegible] Tillinghast, Richd Davis, Jos R Wing, Peter L Wade, Jabez Wood, John Wood, Edw G Tillinghast, Jos [illegible], E E Delano, Jno Cowin, [illegible], Edw W Howland, and Rufus [illegible] to constitute that Committee for the ensuing year, and they are requested to report in the ninth month next. — Committee on Funerals

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to take the oversight of funerals and the care of burial grounds, Report:
That some of our number have during the past year attended all funerals, which have been conducted by Friends or when the care of the committee has been requested.
Some care has also been extended to the several burial grounds within our limits and we believe they have been kept in decent order and suitably enclosed. A good degree of simplicity has been observed upon the occasion of funerals and also with very little exception in placing monuments over the graves of deceased relations. On behalf of the Committee

9 mo 1864

Joseph Taber
Henry T Wood

Committee on Territory — From statements made to this Meeting we are united in believing that some change in the territorial line between this and Dartmouth Mo Meeting might be made which would benefit Friends – we appoint Chs R Tucker, Henry T Wood and Edw W

9 mo 1864 Howland to consult with friends or a
committee of that Mo Meeting, and report
to us when ready - And the Clerk is directed
to furnish Dartmouth Mo Meeting with a
copy of this minute -

Maria L We unite with the Womens Meeting in accept
Anthony -ing a removal certificate from Westport Monthly
certificate. Meeting on behalf of Maria L. Anthony.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned
to this Meeting a certificate furnished her in the
Susan fourth month last, for religious service within
Howland the limits of Rhode Island and Smithfield
returns Quarterly Meetings - and presented returning
her minute minutes from Smithfield Quarterly and ~~[illegible]~~
Providence Mo Meetings, and she informed
friends that she felt to acknowledge with humble
gratitude that she had been enabled to perform
the service which she apprehended was required
of her. All of which is interesting and satisfactory
to us.

Our beloved friend Rachael S Howland returned
R S at this time a minute granted her in the 12 mo
Howland 1861 and informed the Meeting that she had
Returns in a great measure been enabled to perform
Minute such religious service in visiting schools, Prisons
and other institutions as seemed required of
her at that time, and the account given by
our dear friend is Satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon returned
Lydia a minute furnished her in the 4th Mo 1864 to
Congdon accompany her sister Susan Howland on a
Returns religious visit with the limits of Rhode
Minute Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings -
She presented returning minutes from Smithfield
Quarterly and Providence Mo Meetings, and
informed us that she believed the visit had
been performed to the satisfaction of both
the visited and visitors - which was
acceptable to this Meeting.

Our beloved friend Rachael S Howland
Minute a minister in unity with us, informed this
granted Meeting that she felt drawn in gospel love
Rachael S to visit a few Schools, Prisions, Hospitals and
Howland other Public institutions, and to appoint a
few Meetings without the limits of this

9 m^o 1864 Quarterly Meeting. After a time of solid deliberation her prospect was fully and feelingly united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein under the guidance of best Wisdom.

Attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

10 m^o 1864 At New Bedford M^o Meeting held 10 m^o 27 1864

The representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Shearman Aaron Upjohn, Longplain John R Davis Jr and Albert Wood, who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended.

Sandwich M^o Mtg. We are informed by Sandwich Monthly Meeting, that have accepted our removal certificate on behalf of Dan^l Davis,

Charles R Tucker Clerk

11 m^o 1864 At New Bedford M^o Meeting held 11 m^o 24, 1864

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Nathan Bowman Seth R Atkin, Longplain John R Davis Jr and Jabez Wood who are present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 and 10th a Summary of which has been approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting. Peter L Slade, Rufus Shearman, Benj^n Anthony and Albert Wood are appointed to attend that Meeting as our representatives.

Joseph & Susan G Kempton Return Minutes Our friends Joseph Kempton and his wife Susan G Kempton returned to this Meeting minutes, furnished them in the Ninth m^o last to accompany Elizabeth Gifford on a religious visit within the limits of Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings.

They presented returning minutes from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, and from the M^o Meetings of Smithfield and Swansey, from which we learn that they were acceptable with friends of those Meetings, which is

11 mo 1864. satisfactory to us.

A Copy of the report made by that portion of our Yearly Meetings Committee who were set apart to visit the Freedmen and Refugees at the South, has been read in this Meeting giving an interesting and detailed account of their visit among that suffering class of people, from which we learn that many thousands, a very large proportion of whom are women and children, ~~who~~ are entirely destitute and dependent for the common necessaries of life - much has already been done to relieve their present wants, by friends and others, but the field is large and loudly calls for renewed labor and means from all who feel for the sufferings and woes of that deeply afflicted and distressed portion of the human family.

Report on Freedmen

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

12 mo 1864 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 12 mo 22d 1864.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford William Gifford Rufus Shearman, Longplain John Wood and Arnold G Tripp, who are present.

Joseph Kempton, Matthew Howland and Seth K Aikin are appointed to examine and settle our Treasurers account, to ascertain what sum it will be necessary to raise for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and propose the name of a friend for Treasurer. They are also directed to audit the accounts of the several Trust funds held under the direction of this Meeting, and report next month.

Auditors

The Representatives who may be appointed to our next Monthly Meeting are directed to take into consideration the subject of a new apportionment of Stock between our Preparative Meetings, and report their judgement to this Meeting.

Stock

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report they all attended.

12 mo 1864 A removal certificate from Oswego Monthly
Meeting New York on behalf of Robert Earle
Robt Earle and his wife Maria Earle has been accepted
& wife with the concurrence of the womens Meeting.

We appoint Rufus Sherman, Wm C Taber,
Abm Barker, Jos R Wing, Josiah Holmes Jr,
Com on and Edw T Dillingham to present to our next
overseers Mo Meeting the names of suitable friends
to fill the Station of overseers for this Meety
the ensuing year.

This Meeting having accepted the trust
which has been decreed by the Supreme
Judicial Court from the Will of Abner
A Pease Pease late of Fairhaven (deceased), the income
Fund arising therefrom being for the benefit
of Longplain Preparative Meeting, we
now authorize the overseers of this Meeting
who reside within the limits of that
Preparative Meeting to receive and
disburse said income under the direction
of Longplain Preparative Meeting
untill otherways directed.

Attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

1 mo 1865 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held
1 mo 26. 1865

The Representatives appointed to attend
this Meeting are from New Bedford Chs
R Tucker Joseph Taber. Longplain Jona
Cowin and Thomas Wood who are
present.

The committee appointed last month
to examine and settle the Treasurers accts
and for other purposes, made the following
Auditors report which being read was accepted,
Report and Henry T Wood is reappointed Treasr
of this Meeting for the year ensuing
or untill another appointment, and
Ezra Kelley, Joseph R Wing, Arnold G Tripp,
Seth R Akin and Albert Wood are
appointed to receive the subscriptions of friends
for $700.- the sum proposed to be raised
for the use of this Meeting, and when
accomplished present the Treasurers

1 Mo 1865 receipt for that amount.

Report

that they have examined the Accounts of the Treasurer and find it correct showing a Balance in his hands of Forty two 72/100 Dollars. We would recommend that the sum of seven hundred Dollars be raised for the use of the Meeting the ensuing year and that Henry T. Wood be reappointed Treasurer. We have also audited the Acct. of the Trustees of John Wests Estate by which we learn they have assisted during the past year 57 different persons to the Amt of $377. The receipts during the year are $505. Balance now in the hands of trustees. $163.57

The Accounts of the Committee having Charge of the Abm Shearman Charitable Fund exhibit a balance in their hands of $35. after distributing $116. among 21 different individuals.

On examination of Accounts of Committee having charge of the Abm Shearman Educational Fund we learn that they have paid the Schooling of one child for a term in Friends Boarding School, Providence at an Expense of $55. leaving a balance in their hands of $92.87.

The Committee can assure the Monthly Meeting that they believe the income from these trust funds to be well and judiciously distributed in Accordance with the Will of the Donors.

Signed Nathan Howland
Seth K Akin

Educational Fund We appoint Joseph ~~Davis~~ Taber, Geo Howland Jr., Richard Davis, Edw T. Tillinghast and Chas R. Tucker to have the care and disbursement of the income arising from the educational fund of our late friend Abm Shearman Jr. for the ensuing year.

1 Mo 1865. We appoint William C Taber, Henry T Wood, Edw W Howland, Wm Gifford and Geo Howland Jr to unite with a similar committee of women
Charitable Fund friends, to have the distribution of the income arising from the charitable fund of our late friend Abm Shearman Jr, for the ensuing year.

The committee appointed in the 9th month to confer with Dartmouth Mo Meety
Com on Territory upon the subject of changing the division line between this, and that Mo Meeting Submitted the following joint report. which being read and considered was united with, and directed to be recorded, and the following friends viz Nathaniel Potter Cynthia Wilbur, Hannah Anthony, Alice Tucker wife of Chs Tucker and Hanah Davis wife of John Davis, are by this change set off from Dartmouth Mo Meeting and annexed to New Bedford Mo Meeting agreeable to the report.

Report.

The committees appointed by Dartmouth and New Bedford Monthly Meetings to revise the boundary territorial line between those meetings have examined the premises and have also consulted such members as were interested in the proposed change and are united in proposing the following for a boundary line between the 2 Monthly meetings. Commencing at the West side of the Edmund Maxfield house. near the road leading from New Bedford to Smiths mills and running South Westerly in a straight line to a point one hundred feet west of Jonathan Tripps house in Dartmouth near the line of the Continuation of Allen Street. thence Southerly in a straight line to the North East Corner of the Burial Ground called the "South Dartmouth Cemetery" thence Westerly in the North line of said Cemetery to the river. the line to extend as heretofore from the said Edmund Maxfield house North to the town line of Freetown. —

1 m 1865 And that the following named persons now belonging to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting and residing within the territory proposed to be annexed to New Bedford Mo Meeting, be set off, and hereafter belong to the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford

viz Nathaniel Potter. Albert G Potter
Cynthia Wilbur.
Hannah Anthony.
Alice Tucker wife of Chas Tucker
Hannah Davis wife of John Davis

Which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee aforesaid

Signed Chs R Tucker.
" Henry F Wood.

Submitted to the Mo Meeting of Dartmouth 1 mo 25th 1865 for its judgement on the foregoing propositions, and on behalf of their Committee.

Signed Isaac R Gifford.
" Moses Smith.

The Committee appointed in 9 mo last in regard to revising the boundary line in accordance with a communication from New Bedford Monthly Meeting, now make the following report viz. And after duly considering the subject we are united in accepting the report. And accordingly all those friends named therein as formerly belonging to this Monthly Meeting are now constituted members of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting by changing said dividing line, if said report is accepted by New Bedford Mo Meeting

The clerk is directed to furnish New Bedford Monthly Meeting with the report and a copy of this minute

Signed by direction of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting 1 mo 30th 1865
Signed Isaac R Potter Clerk.

Line between Dartmouth and New Bedford Monthly Meetings

1 Mo 1865 The extention of said line is in a North westerly direction from the said Edmund Maxfield House ("which is now occupied by his daughter Abby Maxfield") to Jethro Allens mill, at present known as Kernas mills, thence North to the line of Freetown.

Wm G Wing and family We have accepted a removal certificate from New York Mo Meeting on behalf of Wm G Wing, his wife Hannah S and their two minor children Mary Elizabeth and William George, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

John W Macomber Being informed by the overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meetg that John W Macomber has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member, we appoint Rufus Shearman and Benjamin Anthony to visit him on that acct, and report to a future Meeting.

Benjn F Howland The overseers also inform that Benjn Franklin Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member, Chs R Tucker and Joseph Tuber are appointed to visit him on that acct, and report to a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting

The Overseers inform that John W Macomber has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

The overseers also inform the Meeting that Benjn Franklin Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

New Bedford Wm Gifford }
1 Mo 19. 1865. Henry T. Wood } Overseers.

Thomas Wood on behalf of the Representatives informed the Meeting that they had conferred together upon the subject of a new apportionment of Stock between our Preparative Meetings, and

1 Mo 1865 were united in proposing that New Bedford
proportion be Eighty per cent and Longplain's
Stock proportion be twenty per cent, which
was united with, and future collections
for this Meeting are to be made in
accordance thereto.

The committee appointed last month
Overseers. to propose to this Meeting the names of
suitable friends to serve this Meeting
as overseers, presented the names of
William Gifford, Matthew Howland and
Henry T Wood in New Bedford Preparative
Meeting and John Wood, Richard Davis
and Jabez Wood in Longplain Preparative
Meeting, which being united with they
are appointed overseers of this Meeting
for the year ensuing or untill another
appointment.

Attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

2 Mo 1865 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting
held 2 mo 23. 1865.

The following named friends are appointed
Representatives to this Meeting viz from
New Bedford Samuel Rodman, Edw W Howland,
Longplain Peter H Slade and John Wood
who are present,

The committee appointed last mo
Benj F to visit Benja Franklin Howland on acct
Howland of his deviation in marriage, presented
a report, which was read, and being united
with, was sent to the womens meeting for
their concurrence, and by that meeting
the consideration thereof was referred to
a future Meeting.

A removal certificate on behalf of
Prince A Wicks issued by this Meeting
Prince in the first Month 1864, to Nantucket
A Mo Meeting, being now returned to us
Wicks by that Meeting with the statement
that he has never met with friends
since they had received his certificate,
although he had been several times
invited to attend their Meeting, we

2d Mo 1865 now appoint Henry T Wood and Chs R Tucker to extend such care and attention as the importance of the case may seem to require and report to this Meeting when ready.

John W Macomber

The committee appointed last month to visit John W Macomber on acct of his deviation in marriage, made the following report, wh being considered, and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, we retain him a member of our religious society, and Wm Gifford is appointed to inform him of this conclusion.

To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited John W Macomber on acct of his deviation in marriage - he appeared sensible of having deviated from our good order in thus marrying - but informed us that it was his wish to retain his right of membership. We as a committee feel to unite with his being continued a member - which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford   Rufus Sherman
2 Mo 23. 1865.   Benja Anthony

First day afternoon Meetings

This Meeting unites with a request from New Bedford Preparative Meeting, that their First-day afternoon Meetings may be held at 4 O'Clock from the 1st of 3d Month to the 1st of the 11th Month, and the remainder of the year at 3 O'clock, the Women uniting with this conclusion.

Henry T Wood, Josiah Holmes Jr. and Wm C Taber are appointed to visit those members set off to this Meeting by minute of last Month from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting informing them that they are now recognized as members of this Meeting, and extend to those dear friends such words of encouragement as they may be favored with to impart.

Attest Charles R Tucker }
Clerk }

3 Mo 1865 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 3 Mo 23d 1865.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Alex Hillman & Wm Gifford, Longplain Jos R Wing and Jonathan Cowin who are present.

The Queries with answers from our Prep Meetings have been read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting — Rufus Shearman, Henry F Wood, Edw G Gillingham and Peter D Slade are appointed to attend as our Representatives.

Treas Receipt — The committee appointed to receive the subscriptions of friends for the use of this Meeting, presented the Treasurers receipt for $700.— dolls the sum proposed to be raised.

J W Macomber. — The friend named last month to inform John W Macomber that he had been retained in membership, reports that he has informed him.

Qr Mtg Stock — Our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

The committee appointed last month to visit those friends who were set off from Dartmouth Mo Meeting, report that they have given attention to the appointment.

Elizabeth B Wood — We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Pembroke Mo Meeting on behalf of Elizabeth Brown Wood, wife of Jabez Wood.

Benjn F Howland — The womens Meeting inform that they have united with us in accepting the report of the committee in the case of Benjn F Howland — which they referred last month to this Meeting, he is therefore retained in membership, and Seth R Akin is appointed to inform him of this conclusion.

Ruth Davis a Minister and member of this Meeting deceased 9 Mo 2d 1864 Aged 86 years 6 mos 12 days.

atts Charles R Tucker
Clerk

3 mo 1865 To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Benja Franklin Howland on acct of his deviation in marriage, he was aware of having broken
Report BFH. an order of discipline, but was desirous of retaining his right of membership, and hoped that he should be more diligent in the attendance of our religious Meetings, and wish for his children to be brought up under the care of friends

New Bedford
2 mo 22. 1865

Joseph Taber
Chs R Tucker

4 mo 1865 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 mo 27. 1865.

The representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are - from New Bedford Wm G Wing Gideon Wood - Longplain John Wood Edw B Hiller who are present.

We are informed by the overseers through New
Isaac Howland Bedford Preparative Meeting, that Isaac Howland has married out of the order of our society - and we appoint Rufus Shearman and Chs R Tucker to visit him on that acct and report to a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting

The Overseers inform that Isaac Howland has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member.

4 mo 20, 1865.

Wm Gifford
Hy T Wood } Overseers

Jona P Gifford & wife With the concurrence of the womens Meeting we accept a removal certificate on behalf of Jona P Gifford and his wife Elizabeth S Gifford from Westport Mo Meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting
Overseers of Poor report they all attended.

We appoint Edmund Gardner, Wm Gifford Geo Howland Jr Seth R Allen John Wood Richd Davis Taber Wood Rufus Shearman and Elnathan [illegible], overseers of the poor of this Meeting for one year or untill another appointment.

4 Mo 1865 The committee appointed in the 7th Mo 1861 to visit Joseph A Gifford made the

Jos A Gifford following report, which being read and considered and having the concurrence of the womens Meetg we disown him as a member of our religious Society - he having expressed to the committee a wish not to be retained - and Gideon Wood is appointed to inform him with this conclusion -

To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have had communication with Jos A Gifford in relation to his deviation in marriage and also joining himself to another religious society.

He expressed much kind feeling towards friends, but, in an interview with him he said that as he was situated he had no wish to retain his membership, but a choice that it might be discontinued which we submit to the meeting.

Gideon Wood
Wm Howland

N. Bedford 4th Mo 26. 1865.

We unite with the womens Meeting in

Caroline Chase retaining Caroline Chase (late Carlburg) in membership with us, she having married out of the order of our Society.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland in

Susan Howlands Minute a feeling manner informed this Meeting that she had for some months felt drawn in gospel love to attend New York Yearly Meeting, and if way opened for it in the truth to perform some religious service within the limits of New York Mo Meetg - which after a time of solid deliberation her concern was fully united with, and she was encouraged to proceed therein, being a minister in unity with us.

Our beloved friends William C Taber

Wm C and R H Tabers Minute and his wife Rhoda H Taber informed this meeting that they had a prospect of accompanying their sister Susan Howland on her proposed religious visit to New York

4 mo 1865 as expressed in her certificate - which being considered was united with, and they are liberated to attend thereto. He being an Elder and She a minister with whom we have unity.

The clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with copies of the foregoing minutes so far as they relate to each respectively -

atts. Charles R Tucker Clerk

[illegible]

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Joseph S Tillinghast David S Wood Longplain John Wood Jr and Joseph R Wing who are present.

Clerks The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired the representatives ~~appoint~~ proposed Chs R Tucker for clerk and Matthew Howland for assistant which was united with, and they are appointed to those services for one year or untill another appointment.

Jos A Gifford The friend named last Month to inform Joseph A Gifford of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case, reports that the information has been given him,

Isaac Howland The committee appointed last month to visit Isaac Howland on acct of his deviation in marriage made the following report, which being read was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting, we retain him in Membership with us, and appoint Rufus Shearman to extend to him this information,

To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Isaac Howland on acct of his deviation in marriage, to good Satisfaction, He expressed himself warmly attached to our society, and was very desirous of retaining his right of membership.

Which we submit to the Meeting

5 mo 24. 1865. Rufus Shearman
Chs R Tucker

5 Mo 1865 The friend named in the 3d Month, reports
that he has informed B Franklin Howland
B Franklin of the conclusion of this Meeting in his
Howland case;

attest Charles R Tucker clerk

6 Mo 1865 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 6 Mo
2d 1865.
The Representatives appointed to attend
this Meeting, are, from New Bedford Wm
Barker Nathan Bowman - Longplain Richd
Davis and John Wood who are present.
Our beloved friends William Haughton
Visit from from Raysville Mo Meeting Indiana, Edward
Wm Haughton M Dorland and William R Taber from Scipio
Ed M Dorland Mo Meeting New York, Caroline E Talbott
Wm R Taber from Smithfield Mo Meeting Ohio. Peace
C E Talbott Jones and Sarah E Varney from China Mo
Peace Jones Meeting Maine, attended this Meeting and
and presented Satisfactory Minutes from their
Sarah E respective Meetings, expressive of Unity
Varney. with them as Ministers, and with their
present religious engagements - their company
and religious services have been acceptable
to us - and the clerk of this Meeting is
directed to furnish them with copies of
the above minute so far as it relates
to each respectively -
Our beloved friends Charles S Hubbard
from Raysville Mo Meeting Indiana and Ruth
Chas S Binns an Elder from Short Creek Mo Meeting Ohio -
Hubbard the former Companion to William Haughton -
and and the latter companion to our friend
Ruth Caroline E Talbott, attended this Meeting
Binns with Satisfactory Minutes from their friends -
Their Company and solid deportment have
been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed
to furnish copies of this minute so far
as it relates to each -
Joseph Grinnell having made the
following request to be admitted into
membership with, we appoint Josiah Holmes J
and Wm C Taber to visit him on that
acct and report their judgement in

6 mo 1865 the case to a future Meeting -

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends -

Having for several years past, been drawn into sympathy and unison, with the principles
Joseph of your Society, and for several months having
Grinnell held under consideration the propriety of asking to be received as a member, and now believing that it is right - I therefore ask to be received as a member of your society -

New Bedford Joseph Grinnell
6 Mo 21. 1865

The Queries with answers to the 1. 2 and 10th have been read, and a summary approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - and have appointed our friends William Gifford, Edw G Dillingham Matthew Howland and Peter L Slade to attend as our representatives -

The friend named last month to inform
Isaac Isaac Howland that he has been retained
Howland in membership - reports that he has performed the service -

Having received 500 copies of the London printed Epistle for 1864 we appoint Joseph R Wing, Henry R Tucker, John R Davis Jr, John Wood Jr, Edward B Hiller, and Thomas Wood of New Bedford to distribute them among our members - and friends are desired to have a copy thereof read at the close of each of our particular Meetings which are held on First day mornings -

att Charles R Tucker
Clerk

7 mo 1865 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 7 mo 27. 1865

The Representatives to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Shearman Benjn Anthony - Longplain Jos Kempton and Seth T Swift who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended except one - for whom a sufficient reason was given.

7 Mo 1865

Qr Meetg Stock

The following minute from our last Quarterly Meeting was received and read by which it appears that our proportion of Stock called for by that Meeting is $\$535\frac{50}{100}$ dollars 63 % which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting when the state of our funds will admit.

Sandwich Qr Meeting 7 Mo 1865.

It is proposed to raise for the use of this Meeting the present year $\$850$.- dollars. The quota of New Bedford Mo Meeting is $\$535\frac{50}{100}$ dollars & 63 pr Ct.

From the minutes

Chs R Tucker Clerk.

Jos Grinnell received

The committee appointed last month to visit Joseph Grinnell on acct of his request to be received into membership with us - submitted the following report, which being united with by this and the womens Meeting, we admit him a member of our religious society, and Wm C Taber is appointed to acquaint him with this conclusion.

To the Mo Meeting

According to appointment we have visited Joseph Grinnell on acct of his request to be received into membership, and can report that the interview was satisfactory, we are united in judgement that his request be granted, which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford
7 Mo 24. 1865

Wm C Taber
Josiah Holmes Jr

Yearly Meeting Extracts

Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting consisting of 200 copies of the printed Minutes and the Report of the Boarding School Committee have been received - the latter was read, and we appoint Matthew Howland, Henry T Wood and Richard Davis, to make suitable

YEARLY MEETING, SIXTH MONTH, 1865.

“To the Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends: The Committee appointed to Superintend the Boarding School during the past year, report: that, in the Summer Term of the School, there were in attendance, one hundred and twenty-three pupils, viz: sixty-nine males and fifty-four females, and in the Winter term, one hundred and thirty, viz.: eighty-one males and forty-nine females.

The officers of the Institution have been,—Albert K. Smiley, Principal; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; Rebecca H. Smiley, Principal of the Female Department; John F. Rowell, Bessie T. Wing, Mary A. Cornell, and Amey E. Johnson, Teachers in the English Branches; Elijah Cook, Teacher of Mathematics; William B. Phillips, Teacher of Ancient and Modern Languages; and Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing. Under this organization a satisfactory progress has been made in the varied departments of literary and scientific knowledge.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the School House on First day mornings, and have been seasons of solemnity and interest; and the scholars continue to attend Friends Meeting in the city on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week. A knowledge of the Holy Scriptures has been promoted by daily readings, and exercises on the First day of the week, and the considerate and orderly deportment of the scholars generally, and the evidences afforded by not a few, of a growth in the highest knowledge, has afforded us much satisfaction.

The health of the inmates of the Institution has been remarkably good during the past year, which, under a blessing, we think may in part be attributed to the careful daily attention to gymnastic exercises.

By the report of the committee to examine and settle the accounts of the Institution, it appears that the whole income for the past year exceeds the amount expended, Thirty-one hundred and twenty-five dollars, ($3,125).

By a circular minute from our Meeting for Sufferings held at Lynn, in the 8th month last, all of our Monthly Meetings were informed of the decision of that Meeting to advance the price for tuition; and the rates then established took effect on the beginning of the Winter term as follows:—For members of this Yearly Meeting, $100 per term; For members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or scholars are sent at the charge of such, $130 per term; and for any others who may be admitted, $160 per term. The same additional charges of five dollars for Latin and Greek, French, German and Drawing, as heretofore. It was with reluctance that the apparent necessary increase in the price was resorted to, and we desire that it may be reduced at the earliest possible time; but as we are not now prepared to make any definite suggestions, we would propose to the Yearly Meeting, to commit the subject to the Committee that may be entrusted with the charge of the Boarding School for the ensuing year, to make such timely changes as may appear best, upon mature consideration, and after further developments of the cost of provisions, &c.

In conclusion we gratefully believe that our Boarding School i increasing its means and opportunities of usefulness. We are, however, solemnly reminded, that all our blessings are dependent upon th Father of Mercies. May not, therefore, all who are interested, unit in the desire that His favor and protection may be continued from generation to generation, through Him who is head over all things to th Church?

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Committee,

GILBERT CONGDON, *Clerk.*

Boarding School, 5th Month, 9th, 1865.

Note.—Summer term for 1865 closes 9th Mo. 27th.
Winter term for 1865, opens, 11th Mo. 1st, 1865,
Closes, 3d Mo. 21st, 1866.
Summer term for 1866, opens, 5th Mo. 2d.

REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

As the number that can be admitted into the School is limited, it i necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all i this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the School, in orde that they may determine how many others, if any, may be receive Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Mee ing, in season to be laid before the committee at their meetings held i the *third* and *ninth* months. At these meetings, applications for members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others, afte which they will be considered in the order in which they are receive

Applications for the benefit of the “charitable fund,” or of “th Jacob Metcalf donation,” will also be determined at the times abov specified, and in all these cases, information is desired of the age, mora habits and literary acquirements of the applicants, to aid the committe in deciding upon them.

It is expected, and earnestly desired, that *all* the scholars shall be a the School punctually, at the commencement of the term, for th prompt organization of classes; but if circumstances occur to preven such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals within on week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to b reserved for them. A failure to attend the School, or to give the notic above specified, will be considered a relinquishment of the privileg unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of pupil being admitted for the term and attending the School, it is expecte that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and all others, visiting the School, will be expecte to defray the expense arising therefrom to the Institution.

All applications for admission are to be made to the Principals.

Address, ALBERT K. SMILEY,
Principal Friends Boarding School,
Providence, R. I.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

7 mo 1865 inquiries respecting the fitness of Children who propose entering the School, and to furnish them with suitable certificates addressed to the principal - The printed minutes have been placed with the committee appointed last month to be distributed among our members.

J Grinnell request certificate

A certificate being requested for Joseph Grinnell to Salem Mo Meeting on acct of Marriage - Chs R Tucker and Matthew Howland are appointed to extend the usual care in the case and report next month.

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

8 mo 1865

At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 8 mo 24.1865.

The Representatives to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Joseph Taber Matthew Howland Longplain Jona Cowin and Albert Wood, who are present,

Robt M Ferris and Mary Anna Taber,

We have received from Robert M Ferris and Mary Anna Taber, via New Bedford Preparative Meeting the following ~~the following~~ written declaration of their intentions of Marriage, which being read in this and the womens meeting, and notice being taken thereof they are desired to wait untill next month for an answer,

To New Bedford Mo Meeting

With Divine permission and friends approbation we intend marriage with each other

New Bedford
8 mo 14. 1865.

Robert M Ferris
Mary Anna Taber

The friend named last month to inform Joseph Grinnell that he had been admitted a member of this meeting, reports that the service has been performed,

Jos Grinnell

A certificate on acct of marriage on behalf of Joseph Grinnell to Salem Mo Meeting is approved.

8 Mo 1865 Our beloved friend Robert Walter Douglass attended this Meeting, and presented a certificate from Clear Creek Mo Meeting endorsed by Fairfield Qr Meeting - Ohio expressive of unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements. His company and religious services have been acceptable to us - and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute, and sign it on our behalf.

Visit of Robt W Douglass

The committee appointed in the sixth month to distribute documents among our members report that they have attended to the appointment.

attest. Charles R Tucker
Clerk

9 Mo 1865 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 Mo 28. 1865.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting - are - from New Bedford Wm G Wing, Wm Gifford - Longplain Jabez Wood and Richd Davis who are present.

The queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 & 10th have been read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting. We appoint Henry T Wood Jona Cowin, Ebr G Dillingham and Jos R Wing to attend as our representatives.

Abigail M Hanson

Our beloved friend Abigail M Hanson attended this Meeting, and presented a certificate from Seabrook Mo Meeting, expressive of unity with her as a minister and with her present religious engagements. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Thomas Folsom

Our esteemed friend Thomas Folsom who accompanies his sister Abigail M Hanson, attended this Meeting with a minute of concurrence from Seabrook Mo Meeting - His company and solid deportment have been acceptable to us - The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes so far as they relate to each respectively.

9 Mo 1st. Robert M Ferris and Mary Anna Taber having presented to our last Mo Meeting a written declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage; and they appearing clear to proceed therein, and having consent of parents are allowed to accom- (Rob. M Ferris and Mary Anna Taber) -plish their marriage according to the order of our Society, And at the request of the parties a meeting is appointed to be held at the house of our friend William C Taber on third day 10 mo 3. at 11 O'clock in the forenoon for the accomplishment of their said marriage, we appoint Wm. P. Howland and Matthew Howland to attend the marriage, to present the certificate for record, and report to our next monthly Meeting.

Elizabeth R Russell — We unite with the womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate on behalf of Elizabeth R Russell, wife of R Russell from Sandwich Mo Meeting,

Jos E Smith — With the concurrence of women friends we accept a removal certificate on behalf of Joseph E Smith from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting.

Com on Education — The Educational Committee appointed in the 8 month 1864, presented the following report which being read was interesting and satisfactory to the Meeting, and the friends now under appointment viz - Henry T Wood, Seth H Akin, Jabez Wood, Richard Davis, Elnathan E Delano, Josiah Holmes Jr and Rufus Shearman are continued on that service for the ensuing year, and they are encouraged to use every right opening to promote the cause of Education among our youth and others who are connected with our Schools, and report next year.

Report

The Committee appointed in the 8th month last on Education have given some attention to their appointment

The whole number of friends Children in the monthly Meeting between the age of 5 & 15 - 49

The whole number of friends Children who have attended School the past year - - - 34

9 mo 1865 The number who have attended Schools
taught by friends or under their control 12.
Number of members engaged in teaching 5
do obtaining an education in Academies
or colleges 4
do First day Schools under friends care 5
which are continued through the year.
Number of children attending these Schools 110
do friends children attending them 20
do of Teachers in first day Schools 12
do " Bible classes 1
do attending this Class 4
do of Members in our Mo Meeting 374

The committee would acknowledge that they believe first day schools have a good influence upon our children and upon our society by the frequent perusal of the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make wise unto Salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, and now dear friends in closing our report we would earnestly encourage all to lend a helping hand in the support of our first day schools, believing in the promise that he that watereth shall himself be watered,

New Bedford For the Committee
9 mo 28. 1865 Rufus Shearman

London Epistle

We have at this time received 200 copies of a reprint of an Epistle issued by London Yearly Meeting in the fifth month last, addressed to friends in America, one of which being read was interesting to this meeting - James Henry, Rufus Shearman and Jos R Wing are appointed to distribute them among our members.

att. Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

10 mo 1865 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10 mo 24, 1865.

The Representatives to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Samuel Rodman, Gideon Wood. Longplain John Wood and Jos R Wing who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended except one, who was prevented by poor health.

R. M. Davis
M. A. Taber

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Robert M Davis and Mary Anna Taber, Report they attended that it was properly conducted, and the certificate had been delivered into the hands of the Recorder.

Com on Funerals and Burial Grounds

The committee having the oversight of funerals and care of burial grounds, presented the following report, which was satisfactory to the Meeting and the following friends viz - Wm P Howland, Chs R Tucker, Geo Howland Jr, Henry T Wood, Edmund Gardner, Gideon Wood, Jos S Tillinghast, Richd Davis, Jos R Wing, Peter L Slade, Luther Wood, John Wood, Ed G Dillingham, Jos Kempton, Elnathan E Delano, Jona Cowin, J Holmes Jr. Edw W Howland and Rufus Sherman, are appointed to that Service for the ensuing year, and are requested to report in the tenth month next year.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to take the oversight of funerals and the care of burial grounds, report; That during the past year all funerals where the care of Friends has been requested, have been attended by some of our number. These meetings often of a very promiscuous character, occasion feelings of responsibility, but have not unfrequently proved seasons of deep interest and solemnity.

The several burial grounds are we believe in decent order and suitably enclosed.

In the erection of head stones and in other respects friends have been generally careful to observe simplicity and conform to the discipline. On behalf of the Committee

10 mo 24. 1865.

Wm P Howland
Joseph Kempton

10 mo 1865 The committee appointed last month to distribute to distribute the London Epistle addressed to Friends in America, report; that the service has been performed.

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

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11 mo 1865 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 11 mo 23, 1865

The Representatives to this Meeting are, from New Bedford, Rufus Shearman, Edmund Gardner. No account received from Longplain.

The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2 and 10th ("those from the Longplain received from the overseers") have been read, and a summary approved and directed to be forwarded to the Qr Meeting. We appoint Ezra Kelley, Gideon Wood Rufus Sherman and Josiah Holmes for our representatives to that Meeting.

A removal certificate being requested on behalf of Isaac H Shearman a minor to

Isaac H Sherman

Philadelphia Mo Meeting for the Western district, we appoint Seth K Akin and Henry T Wood to take the necessary care in the case and report next month.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this Meeting a certificate furnished

Susan Howland returns minute

her in the 4th month last, and informed friends that under an humbling sense of Divine Goodness she had been enabled to perform what she had in prospect to the relief and comfort of her own mind, she presented returning minutes from New-York Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders and New York Mo Meeting, all of which was interesting and satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friends Wm C Taber and his

Wm C & R H Taber

wife Rhoda H Taber returned at this time a minute furnished them in the 4th month to accompany Susan Howland on her visit to New York Yearly Meeting. They informed us that the visit had been performed much to their satisfaction, and the Meetings which they attended with their Sister had been favoured seasons. They presented

11 mo 1865 returning minutes from New York Yo Meeting of Ministers and Elders, and from New York Mo Meeting all of which is acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Rachael S Howland
R S Howland returned to us the minute furnished her ~~by~~
returns ~~us~~ in the 9th month last year - and gave
minute the Meeting an interesting account of her visit at Washington D C, Boston and in our own neighborhood, which was to our edification and acceptance.

She then informed friends that she felt drawn in Gospel Love to visit a few Schools,
R S H Prisons, Hospitals, and other Public Institutions,
takes and to appoint a few Meetings without
minute the limits of Sandwich Qr Meeting, After a time of solid deliberation, her prospects were fully united with, and she was encouraged to perform such service being a minister in unity with us.

Attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

12 mo 1865 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 12 mo 28. 1865.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford, Nathan Bowman, Wm G Wing - Longplain Richd Davis and Edw G Dillingham who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended.

We appoint Samuel Rodman, Wm G Wing & Josiah Holmes Jr to examine and settle the Treasurers acct, propose a sum to be raised
Auditors for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and the name of a friend for Treasurer, also to audit the several trust funds held under the direction of this Meeting and report next month.

A removal certificate on behalf of
Isaac H Isaac H Shearman to Phila Mo Meeting
Shearman for the Western District is approved having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Having received from the Overseers via New Bedford Preparative Meeting the following communication in relation to Henry Frank

12 Mo 1865
Henry F Shearman

Shearman, we appoint Wm P Howland and Chs R Tucker to visit him on that account and report when ready to this Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting

The overseers inform that Henry F Shearman has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not a member. In a late interview with one of our number he expressed a preference for the Meetings of another religious denomination, and but little if any desire, to retain his right of membership.

New Bedford 12 Mo 21. 1865.
Matthews Howland
Henry Wood
Overseers.

Prince A. Wicks

Being informed by the Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting, that Prince A Wicks has married out of the order of our society, with one who is not a member, Edw G Dillingham and Joseph R King are appointed to visit him on acct of his deviation, and report to a future Meeting.

attest— Charles R Tucker Clerk.

1 Mo 1866

At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 1 Mo 25. 1866.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from New Bedford Abm Barker, James M Tripp — Longplain Peleg Slade and John Wood Jr. who are present except one.

Visit of Thos B Nichols and Wife

Our beloved friend Thomas B Nichols attended this Meeting, and presented a certificate from Russelborough Mo Meeting expressive of unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements, his company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Rachel B Nichols an Elder, who accompanies her husband Thomas B Nichols, attended this Meeting with a minute of concurrence from Russelboro Mo Meeting. Her company has been acceptable — and the clerk is

1 Mo 1866 directed to furnish them with copies of the above Minutes so far as they relate to each respectively.

The committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers acct

Auditors Report

and for other services as expressed in the minute of their appointment made the following Report, which being read and considered, was acceptable to the Meeting, and Henry T Wood is reappointed Treasurer of this Meeting for one year or untill another appointment — and Seth R Akin, James M Tripp, Jona Cowin, John Wood Jr, and Chs Taber are appointed to receive the contributions of friends for $650.— dollars the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting — pay the same to our Treasurer and present his receipt therefor when accomplished.

Charitable ~~Educational~~ Com

We appoint Wm J Taber, Henry T Wood Wm Gifford, Edw W Howland and George Howland Jr to have the care and distribution of the income from the charitable fund of our late dear friend Abm Shearman Jr for the ensuing year.

Educational Com

We also appoint Joseph Taber, Geo Howland Jr Richard Davis, Edward G Dillingham and Chs R Tucker to have the care and distribution of the income from the Educational fund left by our late dear friend A Shearman Jr for the ensuing year.

The committee not having all that was expected when appointed, they are continued and requested to report at a future Meeting.

Prince A Wicks

The committee appointed in the 1st month 1865 in the case of Prince A Wicks are released from any further care in the case.

Henry F Shearman disowned

The committee appointed last month to visit Henry F Shearman, made the following Report, which being read and considered, and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we are united in disowning him as a member of our religious Society, and Chs R Tucker is appointed to inform him.

1 Mo 1866 The time for which the overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we are united in continuing the friends now under appointment viz. Wm Gifford, Matthew Howland, Henry T Wood Richard Davis, John Wood and Jabez Wood overseers of this Meeting, until the subject may be called up at a future time,

Reports.

To the Monthly Meeting

We have examined the account of the Trustees to the Estate of John West and find it correct, There has been paid out from the income of this Estate the past year, five hundred seventy five dollars to 85 persons and charities, leaving a balance in the hands of the Trustees of $171 50/100 dollars,

The Estate as now invested consists of the following - viz.

20 Shares of the 1st National Bank, New Bedford
30 " of Merchants do " "
and $1000.- in U S Bonds.

We have also examined the account of the Overseers who are Trustees to the Abner Pease fund, and find it correct with proper vouchers. and a balance of income in their hands of $48 67/100 Dollars.

And we have examined the accounts of the committee having charge of the A Shearman Jr Educational fund - Nothing has been paid from this fund the past year, their is a balance of income in their hands of $248 87/100 Dollars.

The account of the committee having charge of of the A Shearman Jr Charitable fund has been examined and found correct, There has been paid out the past year $170 dollars to 30 persons leaving a balance on hand of $60.- Dollars.

The account of Henry T Wood Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting upon inspection was found correct showing a balance in his hands of $55 99/100 dollars, we would recommend that $650.- dollars be raised for the use of the meeting this year, and that Henry T Wood be appointed Treasurer.

1 Mo 1866 The overseers in Longplain Preparative Meeting having charge of the disbursement of the income of the Abner Pease fund have presented no account of their disbursements for examination.

1 mo 24. 1866
Samuel Rodman
Josiah Holmes Jr
Gideon Wood

To the Mo Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Henry F Shearman on account of his deviation in marriage - he expressed himself attached to our Society, but said that his views were at variance with some of the usages of friends, and that for some time past he had mostly attended the meetings of another religious denomination, and with his present views he should give more attention to that Meeting, than to the meetgs of friends, he did not express any decided choice to retain his right of Membership, Which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford
1 mo 24. 1866
Charles R Tucker
Wm P Howland.

Attest — — Charles R Tucker Clerk

2 Mo 1866 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2 mo 22d 1866.

The Representatives to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Joseph Grinnell, Jos S Tillinghast, Longplain Jona Cowin and John Wood, who are present.

Robt W Douglas. Our beloved friend Robert Walter Douglass who attended this Meeting in the eighth month last with a satisfactory certificate from Clear Creek Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Fairfield Qr Meeting Ohio, has again been with us at this time, his company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Stock The committee appointed last month to receive the contributions of friends for the use of this Meeting, presented the Treasurers receipt for Six hundred and fifty dollars the amt proposed to be raised.

2 mo 1866 Having received the following communication
from the Overseers through New Bedford
Geo M Preparative Meeting, in relation to George
Eddy Jr M Eddy Jr, we appoint Gideon Wood and
Rufus Shearman to visit him on acct of
his deviation in marriage and report to
a future Meeting.

To the Mo Meeting

The Overseers inform that Geo
M Eddy Jr. who according to the discipline
is a Member of this Meeting, has married
out of the order of our society with one
who is not a member.

New Bedford William Gifford
2nd mo 15. 1866 Henry T Wood

The friend named last month to inform
Henry F Henry F. Shearman of the conclusion of this
Shearman Meeting in his case, reports that he had
attended to the appointment.

atts. Charles R Tucker Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
3 mo 1866 3d mo. 22d 1866.

The Representatives to this Meeting are
from New Bedford Seth W. Akin, Henry T. Wood
Long Plain Peter D. Slade and Elnathan E. Delano
who are present.

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent
Matthew Howland was appointed clerk for
the day and Henry T. Wood Assistant.

The Queries with Answers thereto from
our Preparative Meetings were read and a summary
approved which are to be forwarded to the Quarterly
Meeting by our Representatives to which service
we appoint Jos. Grinnell, Rufus Shearman Jonathan
Cowing and Richd Davis.

Qr Meeting Our Treasurer informs us that our Proportion
Stock of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to
the Treasurer of that Meeting.

The Committee appointed last mo.
Geo M Eddy Jr to visit Geo. M. Eddy Jr on Account of his
deviation in marriage made the following
Report, which being considered was Accepted

and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting we disown him as a member of our Religious Society and Rufus Shearman is named to inform him hereof.

Fairhaven Meeting

A Request from Friends of Fairhaven through Long Plain Preparative Meeting, to have their First-day afternoon meeting discontinued is assented to by this Meeting and in accordance therewith said Meeting will hereafter be discontinued.

Mary P. Nye

We unite with the Women's Meeting in Accepting a Removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting in relation to Mary P. Nye.

Abby R. Haswell's Children

A request from Abby R. Haswell that her Four minor children viz Mary E. Stephen S. Emma M. and Sylvia R. Haswell be received into Membership with us, we appoint Josiah Holmes Jr, and Richd Davis to unite with a similar Com. from the Women to visit them on this Account and report to a future Meeting.

Testimony Concerning Ruth Davis

A Testimony, of deep interest to us all, concerning our late beloved friend Ruth Davis, being presented at this time was read and approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

Susan Howland

Our beloved friend Susan Howland spread before this meeting a concern which had for sometime rested on her mind, that of attending in Gospel love the different Quarterly Meetings of this Yearly Meeting as way may open for in the Truth. After a time of deliberation this Meeting fully united in liberating and encouraging her to pursue her prospect as best Wisdom may direct. She being a Minister in Unity with us.

Wm C. Taber & wife

Our beloved friends William C. and Rhoda H. Taber expressed at this time a willingness to Accompany their Sister Susan Howland on her proposed religious visit to the Quarterly Meetings composing this Yearly Meeting which being considered was united with. He being a Elder and she a minister in unity with us.

The clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with copies of the foregoing minutes, so far as they relate to each respectively —

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3 mo 1866 To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Geo. M. Eddy Jr on account of his deviation in marriage - He received us kindly and expressed some regard for friends - but stated that he did not expect to attend our Meetings and had no wish to retain his membership with us, and thought he could not do so consistently, which we submit to the Meeting -

New Bedford 3 mo. 19th 1866. Rufus Shearman
Gideon Wood

attest - - - Matthew Howland, clerk for the day

4 mo 1866 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 mo 26. 1866.

The Representatives to this Meeting, are from New Bedford James M Tripp, Albert Wood, Longplain Seth S Swift and Edw G Gillingham who are present,

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting, report they attended.

The friend named last month to inform Geo M Eddy Jr of our conclusion in his case, reports, that he has attended to the appointment,

Joshua G Bowman The committee appointed in the 1 mo 1863 to visit Joshua G ~~H~~ Bowman and others, present the following Report in the case of Joshua G Bowman, which being considered and having the concurrence of women friends, we are united in retaining him a member of our religious society, and Charles R Tucker is appointed to inform him hereof,

AK Haswell's children The joint committee appointed last month on account of Abby K Haswell's request to have her minor children received into membership, submitted the following Report, which being united with by this and the womens Meeting, we receive them as members of our religious society viz Mary E, Stephen S, Emma M, and Sylvia K Haswell, and Joseph Kempton is appointed to inform her ~~of~~ that her request has been granted.

The time having expired for which

Overseers of the Poor — the overseers of the poor of this Meeting were appointed - we now appoint Edmund Gardner Geo Howland Jr, Seth R. Akin, John Wood, Rufus Shearman, Elnathan E Delano, Edw G Dillingham and Matthew Howland to that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment;

To The Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to visit Joshua Bowman & others on account of their breach of our testimony in relation to war, report that several opportunities have been had with him, and they have been gratified to find him now in a state of mind to condemn all wars as incompatible with the teachings of the gospel. He stated to us that he had thought it his duty to enlist in the army when the existence of the government appeared to be threatened, but that his views in relation to war had been changed, and that he could not again enlist in the service.

He was desirous that his offence might be passed by and he be continued in membership with us, and the impression on our minds is, that it would be well to do so - which we submit to the meeting.

4 mo 22
1866.

W. C. Taber
Chs R Tucker

To The Monthly Meeting.

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Abby K. Haswell and her children to a good degree of satisfaction, and think it may be safe to receive them as members of our Society, agreeably to her request

On behalf of the Committee

Richard Davis
Susan G Kempton.

attest Charles R Tucker Clerk

5 Mo 1866 At NewBedford Mo Meeting held 5 Mo 24. 1866.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are, from NewBedford Henry T Wood, Joseph Taber. Longplain Richd Davis and Jos R. Wing who are present.

The time for which the Clerks of this Meetg were appointed having expired, Henry T Wood on
Clerks behalf of the Representatives proposed Chas R Tucker for Clerk and Matthew Howland for assistant which being approved they are appointed to those services for one year or till another appointment.

The friend appointed last Month to inform
Jos G Bowman Joshua G Bowman of our conclusion in his case reports that he has informed him.

Joseph Kempton informed the Meeting that
Abby K Haswell he had informed Abby K Haswell that her request for her minor children to be received into membership had been granted -

The joint Committee under appointment
Com on Freedmen by this Meeting to aid the Freedpeople, presented the following report, which being read was interesting and satisfactory to the Meeting, and they are continued on that service, and requested from time to time to report to this Meeting as way may open for it.

To the Mo Meeting

The com appointed to aid the Cold freed people, report that during the year ending 4 mo 1. 1866 they have forwarded to
Report the NewEngland Mission House at Washington 447 articles of new and 2d hand clothing 468 yds of various descriptions of goods for womens and Childrens ware.

249 pr Shoes. Estimated 852 85 pr freight 18.60 871.45
They have also remitted to Richd Batty at Washington 200 -
$1,071.45

By the Treas Acct it appears that there was in his hands 4 mo 1. 1865 417.64
and collected during the year from friends of this Mo Meeting with $47.00 from persons not members 457.00
874.64

There has been expended in the purchase of goods Shoes &c and freight to New York &c including remittance to Richd E Batty 714.86
leaving a balance for future use $159.78

On behalf of the Committee Sumner Rodman
5 mo 14. 1864 Sarah H Anthony

5 Mo 1866. The Com appointed in the 1 Mo 1863 to visit our young men who had enlisted in the Army, made the following report in relation to George Howland

Geo Howland and Wm Almy and William Almy, which being read and considered; it was the united & judgement of this meeting having the concurrence of women friends to retain them members of our religious Society and Henry T Wood is appointed to inform them of this conclusion—

To the Mo Meeting

The Committee under appointment in the case of those of our Members who enlisted in the Army, report, that we have had several

Report interviews with Wm Almy and Geo Howland upon that Subject,

They appeared to be in a good degree convinced by their own observation and experience of the inconsistancy of War with the precepts of the gospel, and said that they should not again pursue such a course. They also expressed a decided wish to be retained in membership, we submit their case to the Meeting with the belief that it may be safe to grant their request.

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford
5 Mo 14. 1866

Chs R Tucker
Henry T Wood

Mary Anna T Ferris This meeting unites with the women in the approval of a removal certificate to New York Mo Meeting on behalf of Mary Anna T Ferris.

Minute for E Kelly Our esteemed friend Ezra Kelly having again sailed for England with the expectation of spending some months there on business, and being desirous of enjoying the company of friends so far as way may open for it

The clerk is directed to furnish him with a minute embracing the above and also stating that he is a member of this Mo Meeting in good standing— to sign the same on behalf of this Meeting, and after having the signature of our correspondent affixed thereto to forward the same to him by early conveyance—

Witness Charles R Tucker Clerk

6 mo 1866

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 mo 28. 1866.

The Representatives named to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Seth K Akin Jonathan P Gifford, Longplain John Wood and Arnold G Tripp, who are present.

visit of John L Eddy and D H Bennett

Our beloved friends John L Eddy from Kingston Mo Meeting Canada West and David H Bennett from Butternuts Mo Meeting New York attended this Meeting with certificates from their respective Meetings, expressive of unity with them as Ministers and with their present religious engagements. Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

visit of Eliz L Comstock

Our beloved friend Elizabeth L Comstock attended this Meeting, and presented a certificate from Rollin Mo Meeting Michigan, expressing unity with her ministry and present engagements, her company and religious labors have been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to furnish these friends with copies of the above minutes so far as they relate to each respectively, and sign them on our behalf.

Mary Eddy

Our beloved friend Mary Eddy who accompanies her husband John L Eddy attended this Meeting with a satisfactory minute from Kingston Mo Meeting Canada West, Her company has been acceptable to us.

The Queries with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2. and 10th. have been read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting. We appoint Wm P Howland, Arnold G Tripp, Josiah Holmes Jr and Richard Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives.

Rebecca G Grinnell

We unite with the Women in accepting a removal certificate on behalf of Rebecca G Grinnell from Salem Mo Meeting

Jabez Wood

Jabez Wood having requested a removal certificate for himself and Wife to Salem Mo Meeting, we appoint Richard Davis and Edward G Dillingham to unite with

6 mo 1866 a committee of women friends in preparing a one on their behalf if way opens for it, and present the same to our next Meeting.

Henry L Swift Henry L Swift having requested a removal certificate to Uxbridge Mo Meeting, Wm G Wing and Henry T Wood are appointed to extend the necessary care in the case and report next Month.

Wm P Lawrence Wm P Lawrence having requested a certificate to Salem Monthly Meeting on account of marriage, Seth K Akin and Gideon Wood are appointed to extend the required care in the case and report next Month.

Treas acct The committee appointed in the 12th Mo last to settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes, made the following report, which being read was satisfactory to the Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers account, and those of the several Trust funds under the care of this Meeting, have this day examined the acct of the Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meetg and find it correct, leaving a balance unexpended of twenty five 40/100 dollars.

New Bedford
6 mo 2nd 1866

Josiah Holmes Jr
Wm G Wing
Gideon Wood

London Epistle We have received 250 Copies of the London General Epistle for 1865. and appoint James Almy, Peter L Slade, John Wood Jr, Josiah Holmes Jr Edw G Dillingham, Rufus Shearman and Richard Davis Jr to distribute them among our members and others who are in the practice of attending our Meetings.

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

7 mo 1866 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 7 mo 26. 1866.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Saml Rodman Albert Wood - Longplain Richard Davis and Seth S Swift who are present.

The Representatives to the Qr Meeting, report they attended.

Jabez Wood wife. A removal certificate on behalf of Jabez Wood and his wife Elizabeth Brown Wood to Salem Mo Meeting is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Abm T Eddy We are informed by the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Abm T Eddy has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member, we appoint Seth R Akin and Joseph Taber to visit him on that account, and report to a future Meeting.

Income of A Pease fund) By the request of Longplain Preparative Meeting the overseers of this Meeting are directed to pay the income arising from the Abner Pease fund, untill otherways ordered to Jona Cowin the Treasurer appointed by Longplain Preparative Meeting to receive the same.

Henry L Swift The Womens Meeting concur with us in the approval of a removal certificate on behalf of Henry L Swift to Uxbridge Mo Meeting.

Wm P Lawrence A Certificate on account of marriage in favor of William P Lawrence to Salem Mo Meeting is approved.

Mary Glass We unite with the womens Meeting in retaining in membership Mary Glass late Gillingham, who had deviated in marriage.

To the Mo Meeting

Abm T Eddy who according to the discipline has a right of membership in this Meeting, has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member.

7 mo 18. 1866. Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood
overseers

YEARLY MEETING,

SIXTH MONTH, 1866.

"To the Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends,—The Committee appointed to superintend the Boarding School, during the past year, report, that in the summer term of the School there were in attendance one hundred and ten pupils, viz.: sixty-seven males and forty-three females; and in the winter term, one hundred and sixty-four, viz.: ninety-nine males and sixty-five females.

The officers of the Institution have been, Albert K. Smiley, Principal; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; Rebecca H. Smiley, Principal of the Female Department; John F. Rowell, Bessie T. Wing, Mary A. Cornell and Amey E. Johnson, teachers in the English branches; Elijah Cook, teacher of Mathematics; William B. Phillips, teacher of ancient and modern Languages; and Mary A. Potter, teacher of Drawing. Under this organization, which has continued the same as it was at our last report, the interests of the Institution, in every respect, have received careful and satisfactory attention.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the School house, on First day mornings; and we reverently trust, through Divine mercy, these religious opportunities have been blessed. The scholars continue to attend Friends' Meeting, in the city, on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week. The Holy Scriptures have been daily read in a collective capacity, and a knowledge of their invaluable contents has been further promoted by class exercises.

[illegible] of the Institution has been uncommonly good during the past year. Careful and regular gymnastic exercises have continued to claim the attention of the officers of the schools. On the 12th of 8th month, one of the pupils, Eugene Ball, son of Nicholas Ball, of New Shoreham, R. I., fell from a tree receiving internal injury which resulted in death about eight hours after. The following minute concerning this impressive event was made on our records: 'We note, with feelings of solemn interest, the information conveyed in the report from the Principal, of the sudden removal from time to eternity of a dear pupil. While we sympathize with the afflicted family of the deceased, we are comforted in the trust, that through the mercy of God in Jesus Christ, their sore bereavement is his great gain.'

By the report of the Committee to examine and settle the accounts of the Institution, it appears that the whole income for the past year exceeds the amount expended by five thousand dollars, which enables us to propose a reduction in the prices of admission.

Under the authority given us by the Yearly Meeting last year, we forwarded in the 9th month, copies of a printed circular to all of our Monthly Meetings, informing of a reduction in the rates of admission, which took effect at the beginning of the winter term, as follows, viz.: 'For members of our Yearly Meeting, $65 per term; for members of other Yearly Meetings, and when one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or scholars are sent at the charge of such, $100 per term, and for any others who many be admitted, $150 per term. The same additional charges of five dollars for Latin and Greek, French, German, or Drawing, as heretofore.'

The subject of the present division of the school year into two terms, with vacations of nearly equal length in the spring and autumn, has claimed our careful consideration. This arrangement continues the school in operation during all the warm season of the year, when study cannot be pursued advantageously, nor without the risk of affecting the health. From many parents we have received the expression of a desire that a change might be made, and, as far as we know, it would be satisfactory to all. After mature deliberation, we have come to the conclusion to propose to the Yearly Meeting that the academical year in 1867 should commence on the first Fourth day in the ninth month, and continue twenty weeks, to be succeeded by a second period of twenty weeks, after a recess of two weeks. It is very desirable that the pupils should enter for the full year, as they would receive much greater proportional advantages than by continuing but half of the time. While we earnestly recommend this course, when practicable, we do not propose at present that it should be made obligatory, but that liberty should be granted for withdrawal from the school at the commencement of the recess, when application is made therefor, at the time of admission. The ensuing year must necessarily be exceptional. The present term closes on Fourth day, the 26th of 9th month, and the school re-opens on Fourth day, the 31st of 10th month; and we propose it should continue sixteen weeks, and, after a recess of two weeks, re-assemble and continue sixteen weeks more, closing on Fourth day, the 26h of 6th month, 1867.

The charge for the ensuing school year of thirty-two weeks we propose should be as follows, one half payable at the commencement of the school, and one-half at the re-opening after the recess, viz.: For members of our Yearly Meeting, $96; for members of other Yearly Meetings, and when one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or scholars are sent at the charge of such, $150; and for any others who may be admitted, $240. An additional charge of $10 for instruction in Latin and Greek, French, German, or Drawing.

Applications for admission into the school for the next school year, should be made seasonably for the meeting of the Committee, on the 25th of 9th month next. Those who are members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others, after which applications will be considered in the order in which they are received. Those who desire the benefit of the 'Charitable Fund,' or of the 'Jacob Metcalf Donation,' should apply at the time above specified; and in all these cases information is desired of the age, moral habits, and literary acquirements of the applicants. Applications for admission are to be made to the Principals. Address, Albert K. Smiley, Principal of Friends' Boarding School, Providence, R. I.

In a review of the past year, we do gratefully acknowledge that we have had evidence that our Heavenly Father has remembered us, and that the Institution continues to be a blessing to many.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee.

GILBERT CONGDON, Clerk.

Providence, 5th month 8th, 1866."

From the Minutes of the Meeting.

Samuel Boyd Tobey, Clerk.

7 mo 1866 We are informed by Sandwich Qr Meeting that our proportion of stock for that Meeting the present year is $504.- dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Qr Meeting when he may be in funds for that purpose.

Qr Mtg Stock

We have received an extract from our last Yearly Meeting comprising the report of the Boarding School Committee, which being read was interesting to us, and also received 200 Copies of the printed minutes of that Meeting, and the committee appointed last month are directed to distribute them among our number.

Yr Mtg Extracts

We appoint Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood and Richard Davis to judge of the fitness of Children, who propose entering the School, and to furnish such as are approved with certificates directed to the principals.

The friend named in the fifth month to inform William Hiny and George Howland of the conclusion of this Meeting in their respective cases, reports that he has performed that service.

Wm Hiny and Geo Howland

attest Charles R. Tucker
Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8 mo 23d 1866.

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent Matthew Howland is appointed clerk for the day.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Ezra Kelley Wm G. Wing - Long Plain Peter D. Slade and Jos. R. Wing who are present -

Our beloved friend Jesse T. Hartley attended this Meeting with a Minute from Gilead Mo. Meeting, Morrow Co, Ohio, endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meet'g Goshen Logan Co Ohio expressing Unity with him as a Minister and in his present Religious engagements - his Company and Religious services have been Acceptable to us - and the clerk is directed [illegible] to furnish him with a Copy of this Minute

The Committee appointed in the 6 mo. to distribute the London Epistle & printed Minutes of our own Yearly Meeting Report they have attended to that duty —

attest Matthew Howland
Clerk for day

9 Mo 1866 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 9 Mo 27th 1866.

The Representatives to this Meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Shearman, Jona P Gifford, [illegible] Thomas Wood and William Hill, who are present,

The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers from Preparative Meetings to the 1. 2d and 10th. a summary of which was approved, and directed to be forwarded to the Qr Meeting. We appoint Jos Grinnell, Josiah Holmes Jr, Edward G Dillingham and Joseph K Wing to attend that Meeting as our Representatives,

Henry Russell Being informed by the following Communication from the overseers via New Bedford Prept. Meeting that Henry Russell has married out of the order of our society with one not a member. Rufus Shearman & Josiah Holmes Jr are appointed to visit him on that acct, and report at a future meeting

Wm P Lawrence Wm P Lawrence having requested a removal certificate to Falmouth Mo Meeting we appoint Henry T Wood & Henry Wing to take the usual care in the case and report next month -

Henry Russell a member of this meeting but now residing within the limits of Sandwich Mo. Meeting has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member

M Howland }
Signed. Henry T Wood } Overseers
9 Mo 14. 1866.

[illegible] Josiah Holmes Jr has requested a certificate to Chappaquak Mo. Meeting on acct. of marriage Richd. Davis & E.E. [illegible] are appointed to extend the usual care in the case and report next month —

The committee appointed in the 12 mo. 1865 to visit Prince A. Weeks on acct. of his deviation in marriage made the following report which being united with by this and the Womens Meeting we retain him a member of this meeting and Edward T. Dillingham is named to inform him of our conclusion —

Prince A. Weeks

The committee appointed in the ~~place~~ case of Prince A. Weeks report that one of the committee have visited him on acct. of his deviation in marriage to good satisfaction, and find him very desirous of retaining his right of membership. On behalf of the Committee

9 mo. 27. 1866. Edw. T. Dillingham
Jos. R. King

Abm. T. Eddy

The committee appointed in the 7th mo. to visit Abm. T. Eddy made the following report which being considered & having the concurrence of women friends we disown him as a member of our religious Society. Seth K. Akin is appointed to inform him hereof.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Abm. T. Eddy on acct of his deviation in marriage, he informed us that he had a preference for another meeting of which he was a member, and expressed no wish to retain his member-ship with us, which we submit to the Mo. Meeting (signed), Seth K. Akin.
9 mo. 26. 1866. Jos. Taber.

[illegible]

The joint committee of this meeting upon the subject of Education, presented ~~[illegible]~~ the following report which being read was interesting and encouraging to the meeting and Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin Rich. Davi. E. E. Delano J. Holmes Jr. Rufus Sherman Edw. T. Dillingham & John Wood Jr. are appointed a committee to unite with

9 mo 1866 a similar committee of Women Friends upon this subject for the ensuing year, and they are encouraged to occupy every right opening for the promotion of Education among our youth and others that may be connected with our schools—

The joint committee upon the subject of Education and to promote the interests of First Day Schools report that a portion of our number have given attention to the subject and have endeavored to further the object of our appointment—

Of the 65 children in the Mo. Meeting between the ages of 5 & 21 years twenty three are reported as having during last year attended by Schools taught by Friends or under their control— Considerable interest is manifested that the children of Friends may receive the benefits of Scriptural instruction— First day Schools have been sustained at New Bedford & Long Plain during the year & at Acushnet during 3 months. The whole average attendance at New Bedford was 53. at Long Plain 8 and at Acushnet was 18 scholars— The committee regret that no School has been kept at Fairhaven where the children of Friends and a number of others in the neighbourhood might we believe be profitably gathered

While we believe that Friends are increasingly alive to this subject, it seems very desirable that the claims, not only of our own younger members but of those children in our midst who are not receiving Scriptural instruction may be more fully considered—

On behalf of the committee

(signed) Seth K. Akin

9 mo. 27. 1866. Mary Gifford

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1mo 66
9 mo [illegible]66

Prince Myshkin

9 mo 1866 The following communication was recd. at this time from the Executive Committee under appointment by our Yearly Meeting to promote Efforts for the relief and improvement of the freed people of color, - it was stated by a member of the committee that it was desirable that we should collect $500.= as our proportion of the sum now called for and Saml. Rodman, Henry T. Wood, Josiah Holmes Jr. Jos. R. King, Edw. G. Dillingham & John Wood Jr. are appointed to receive the contributions of friends for this object, remit the amount collected to Chas. F. Coffin Treas. and report to this meeting.—

Freed People

At a meeting of the executive Committee of Friends appointed by our Yearly Meeting to promote efforts for the relief and improvement of the Freed people of Color, held at Lynn 8 mo 17. 1866.

(We are informed that the funds in our Treasury are nearly exhausted, and as more active operations must soon commence at our mission at Washington, it, was concluded to issue a circular to our correspondents in the several Quarterly Meetings, requesting them to solicit the early contributions of Friends, to be forwarded to our Treasurer, Chas. F. Coffin for the purposes of the Mission.—

The house which was being erected at our last meeting (being the fourth of the series), is, we are informed, nearly completed, and will be ready for occupancy in a few weeks

As no further expenditure will be incurred at present in building more houses, the funds now obtained, will be devoted to the current expenses of the mission, including the support of the Industrial, and other schools, for all of which the sum of $4000.= will be needed—

By direction of the committee.—

(Signed,) Henry T. Wood Clerk.

attest Charles R. Tucker Clerk

1866-10 mo At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10 mo 25 1866

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford, Albert Wood, and Jos. Taber, Longplain, Richd Davis Jr & Thomas Wood, who are present.

A removal certificate to Dartmouth Mo.
Wm P Lawrence Meeting on acc. of Wm P Lawrence is approved with the concurrence of Women friends

A Certificate in favor of Josiah Holmes Jr
J Holmes Jr. on account of marriage to Chappaqua Mo Meeting New York is approved

The friend named last Mo. to inform
Prince A Wicks Prince A. Wicks of the conclusion of this Meeting reports that he has informed him.

The friend named to give similar infor-
Abm T Eddy mation to Abm. T Eddy, reports the service has been performed.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended

Attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk.

11 mo 1866 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11 m 22 1866

The Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Wm G Wing & Saml Rodman, Long Plain John Wood and Richd Davis who are present.

The queries have been read with answers from our preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 16th. A Summary of which was approved & directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, and we appoint Jos. Taber, E.E. Delano. E.G. Dillingham and Edw W Howland to attend that meeting as our representatives

The committee appointed in the 9th mo to visit
Henry Russell Henry Russell on acct of his deviation in marriage made the following report which being read and ~~[illegible]~~ considered and having the concurrence of women friends we continue him a member of this meeting and appoint Rufus Shearman to inform him thereof.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Henry Russell on account of his deviation in marriage. He appeared sensible of having deviated from our good order in thus marrying and expressed a wish to retain his right

11 mo 1866 of membership in our religious society, which we submit to the judgement of the meeting

Rufus Sherman
New Bedford 10 mo 25 1866 Josiah Holmes Jr

Committee on Burial Grounds and Funerals

The committee under appointment to have the care of burials grounds and oversight of funerals made the following report which was read and been acceptable to the meeting we appoint Wm P Howland, Chs R Tucker, G Howland Jr Henry T Wood, Edmund Gardner, Gideon Wood, Jos G Tillinghast Richard Davis Jos T Wing Peter L Slade John Wood Edmund G Dillingham Jos Kempton, Jonathan E Delano, Jno Cowen Josiah Holmes Jr, Edw W Howland, Rufus Sherman and Joseph Taber to that service the ensuing year or untill another appointment, to report at this meeting next year

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to have the care of Funerals and Burial Grounds report that we have endeavord to dischage our duty, by some of our number attending all Funerals held under the care of Friends that have come to our knowledge, and we trust have often proved solemn and satisfactory seasons There has been no change in our grounds since last report and we believe that all our Burial Grounds are properly attended to.

On behalf of the committee

Rufus Sherman
New Bedford 11 mo 22 1866 Edw G Dillingham

Horace Howlands Request

Horace G Howland having made the following request to be received into membership, we appoint Jos Taber & Chs R Tucker to visit him on acc of his request & report their judgement in the case at a future meeting

To New Bedford Mo Meeting of Friends.
Dear Friends
I am desirous, should the meeting think it proper of being united in membership with your religious society.

New Bedford 11 mo 21. 1866 Horace G Howland.

Abm H Howlands Request

Abm H Howland having made the following request to be received as a member of our religious society on mature deliberation and having the full unity of the women friends it is our united judgement to receive him into

11 mo 1866 membership with us and Wm C Taber and Jos Grinnell are appointed to inform him that his request has been granted

To New Bedford Mo Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

I am desirous, should the meeting think it proper of being again united in membership with your religious society

Alex H Howland.

New Bedford 11 mo 20 1866

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

12 mo 1866

At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 12 m 27 1866

The representatives from New Bedford are Jos. Grinnell. Alex Hillman. Longplain, Jona. Cowen, and Arnold G Tripp who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended except one, whose absence was occasioned by sickness

David Dudley visit — Our beloved friend David Dudley attended this meeting with a certificate from Litchfield Mo Meeting expressive of unity with him as a minister and with his present engagements. His company and and religious labors have been acceptable to us

Noah Farr. — Our beloved friend Noah Farr attended this Meeting as companion to David Dudley with a satisfactory minute from Litchfield Mo Meeting. His company is acceptabe to friends.

The clerk is directed to furnish them with with copies of the above minute as they relate to each.

Thos Akin — The following communication was received from the overseers through New Bedford Prep Meeting in relation to Thomas Aiken. We appoint Henry T Wood and Matthew Howland to confer with him on acct of his deviation in marriage and report at a future meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

The overseers inform that Thomas Aiken now a resident of Chicago has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

Matthew Howland
Henry T Wood
Overseers.

12 mo. 20 1866

12 mo. 1866 Abram Gifford and his wife Rebekah A Gifford
having made the following request to be united
Request with us in membership, we appoint Jos. Holmes Jr
of and Richd Davis to unite with a similar committee
Abm Gifford of women friends in visiting them on acct of
and
Wife their request, and report their judgement in the
case to a future Meeting.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

We hereby request to become members
of your religious Society if it should meet the
approbation of friends. Abram Gifford
Rebekah A Gifford.

The friend named last month to inform
H Russell Henry Russell of our conclusion in his case
reports that he has informed him

We are informed by New York Mo. Meeting
Mary Anna that they have accepted our removal certificate
T Ferris on behalf on Mary Anna T. Ferris.

The friends named last Mo. to inform
Abm. H Howland that he had been admitted
Abm H into membership with us report the service
Howland has been performed.

We unite with the womens Meeting in
admitting Alice R Howland and Mary T Howland
Alice R into membership with us being minor daugh-
and
Mary T ters of Abm. H and Hetty E Howland.
Howland

We have recd from Sandwich Quarterly
Meeting the following minute together with a
Nantucket Report of the Quarterly Meetings committee by
Mo Meeting which it appears that Nantucket Mo. Meeting
Dissolved has been dissolved and the members thereof
see report attached to New Bedford Mo Meeting which
on next being read were united with, and directed
page to be placed upon our records.

We appoint Jos. Grinnell, Arnold G.
Tripp, Ezra Kelley and Jos. Taber to examine &
~~Treasurer~~ settle the Treasrs acct., propose a sum to be
Auditors raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing
year, and the name of a friend for treasurer
and to audit the several Trust Funds held
under the direction of this meeting and report
next month.

The committee appointed by this
meeting to collect the contributions of friends
to aid the freed people report that $700 had

12 Mo 1866 Collection for Freedmen been paid to Chas F Coffin Treas for Friends mission at Washington and in addition $158.50 had been paid to Wm C Taber Treas for this meeting for the aid of the freed people in other places.

Overseers The time having expired for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed we appoint Jos S Tillinghast, Josiah Holmes Jr Arnold G Tripp, Jona. Cowen, Wm P Howland and Chas R Tucker to propose the names of suitable at a future meeting to serve as overseers for the ensuing year.

Address on Peace Copies of the address issued by the Peace Conference which met in Baltimore in the 11 mo 1866 have been received from our last Quarterly meeting. Arnold G Tripp, E. C. Dillingham, Isaac Howland and Richd Davis are appointed to distribute them among our members

Report and minute.

Report in relation to Nantucket Mo Mtg. Sandwich Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford 12mo 6 1866

The joint committee appointed in the tenth Month last on the application of Nantucket Mo Meeting made the following Report which being read is adopted, and that Mo Meeting is accordingly dissolved, and the members thereof annexed to New Bedford Mo Meeting. The clerk is directed to forward to said Mo Meeting a copy of this minute with the report, and the committee are continued, in order to extend such care in the case as circumstances may seem to require.

From the minutes

To New Bedford
Mo Meeting

Chas R Tucker
Dorcas F Tucker } Clerks

To the Quarterly Meeting

The committee appointed on the application made by Nantucket Monthly Meeting at our meeting in the 10th month last have had the subject before them and after deliberate consideration and inquiry into the situation of that meeting in a view of its weakness from the great reduction in the number of its members and the age and infirmity

12 m. 1866. of most of those who remain on the Island have come to the conclusion to recommend that it be discontinued, and that a meeting for worship only be held at that place. It appearing to be their desire, we would propose that their members be annexed to New Bedford Monthly Meeting with which the select members of that meeting were united many years since.

The committee would also recommend that the property now belonging to Nantucket Monthly meeting be transferred to New Bedford Mo. Meeting with the understanding that it be applied to the sole use and support of the meeting at Nantucket and its members and that whatever expense shall be incurred for the members of that meeting beyond the funds now belonging to them be borne by the Quarterly Meeting.

We deem it advisable that the Quarterly Meeting continue its care by a committee to aid in the transfer and to see that the books and papers of the meeting be placed in the custody of New Bedford Mo. Meeting, and to which that meeting may apply for advise in case anything should occur to make such application necessary.

Wm. C Taber
David K. Aiken
Newell Hoxie
Rufus Sherman
Chs R. Tucker
Charles G Dillingham
Mary K Wing
Rachel S Howland
Lydia Congdon

New Bedford
12 mo 6 1866

attest Charles R Tucker
Clerk

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1mo 1867 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 1mo 24 1867
The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Seth K Aiken, Benj Anthony, Longplain Richard Davis & John Wood who are present;

[illegible] Our beloved friend Daniel Pease attended this meeting and presented a certificate from Seabrook Mo Meeting expressive of unity with him as a minister, and with his present religious engagements, his company and religious services have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

H G [illegible] [illegible] visit Horace G Howland on acc of his request to be admitted into membership, produced the following report which being considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the womens meeting we admit him a member of our religious Society, and Henry T Wood is named to inform him thereof

To the Monthly Meeting

[illegible] eleventh month to visit Horace G Howland on account of his request to be received into membership have attended to the appointment and are united in believing that it may be safe to grant his request

On behalf of the committee

New Bedford 1mo 23.1867 C R Tucker

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Treasurer of this Meeting for one year & until another appointment [illegible] And John Wood Jr, P L Slade and R Beebe are appointed to receive the contribution of friends for [illegible] dollars the sum proposed to be raised for the use of the meeting, to pay the same to the Treasurer and present his receipt for that sum when accomplished

[illegible]

1st Mo 1867 Edw. W. Trueman and Geo. Trueman to have [illegible]

Charitable fund — from the ~~[illegible]~~ charitable fund of our late dear friend Wm Shearman for the ensuing year.

We appoint Job Calev G. Trueman Jr. Richard Davis Jr. Edw. G. Killingham and Thos. [illegible]

Educational fund — [illegible] income arising from the Educational Fund left by the above named friend for the ensuing year.

[illegible] Committee [illegible] that they have [illegible] the account of [illegible] Fund [illegible]

We [illegible] that the sum of $100 be raised for the use of the Meeting for the ensuing year and that a [illegible] Fund be appointed [illegible]

[illegible] the account of the [illegible] to the Estate of John West [illegible] and [illegible] the balance now in their hands of $[illegible] —

[illegible]

[illegible] Wm Shearman [illegible]

$226. and for the children [illegible] Monthly Meeting at the same [illegible]

$3.36 [illegible] Committee [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 165. A balance of $30.56 [illegible]

[illegible] 1867 [illegible]

[illegible] received [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] conversation [illegible] united in judgment that it would be safe to receive them into membership [illegible]

Chas. H. Davis

[illegible] The committee [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] friends to visit the [illegible] as [illegible]

[illegible]

June 22 1867.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Charles R. Tucker
Clerk

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2 mo. 28. 1867.

The clerk of this Meeting being absent Matthew Howland is appointed clerk for the day.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber, Longplain E. G. Dillingham & Jos. Hempton who are present –

Horace G. Howland — The friend named last month to inform Horace G. Howland of his having been admitted a Member of this Meeting reports, that he has performed that service.

Abm Gifford — The friend appointed last Mo. to inform Abraham Gifford of his having been admitted into membership with us reports that he has attended to that duty.

The Committee appointed to visit some of our Members who had failed to maintain our testimony against War made the following Report

To the Mo. Meeting

Rowland Smith Restored — Several of the Committee appointed to visit some of our members who had failed to maintain our testimony against War have visited Rowland Smith on that Account and feel authorized to report, that he now condemns his conduct in that particular and feels that he could not again engage in Warfare. He also expressed himself desirous that friends would pass by his transgression and retain him in Membership – Under the circumstances of the case we would propose that he be restored – which we submit to the Monthly Meeting

On behalf of the Committee
New Bedford — Elnathan E. Delano
2 mo. 1867 — Wm C. Taber
Henry T. Wood

which is Acceptable to us and with the concurrence

2 Mo. 1867 of the Womens Meeting we continue him in membership with us and Benjamin Anthony is named to give him this information -

Bessie L. Taber We unite with the Womens Meeting in retaining Bessie L. Taber late Dillingham a member of our Meeting, she having married out of the order of our Society -

Henry Russell A Removal certificate to Sandwich Mo Meeting on Acc of Henry Russell was presented at this time and approved by the Meeting -

Tho Akin The Committee appointed in the 12th mo. last to confer with Thomas Akin in reference to his deviation in Marriage made the following report, which being considered and having the concurrence of Women friends we continue him a Member and Henry T. Wood is appointed to inform him hereof -

To the Mo. Meeting

The Committee appointed to confer with Thomas Akin in reference to his deviation in Marriage have corresponded with him on the Subject and learn that he has a strong desire to retain his right of membership in our Religious Society, a connection with which, he says, has long been pleasant to him

New Bedford Henry T. Wood
2 mo 21st 1867 — Matthew Howland

Abm R. Wing & family The following communication from Abm. R. Wing and others of Chicago. Ill. reputed members of late Nantucket Mo. Meeting requesting Removal certificates on their Acc. to Chicago Mo. Meeting We appoint Wm C. Taber & Josiah Holmes Jr to unite with a similar Committee from our Women friends to take the necessary in the case & report at a future Meeting.

Chicago Ill. 2mo 23d 1867.

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.

Dear friends. As a Monthly Meeting of Friends is about being established here (in Chicago) by consent and under the direction of White Water Quarterly Meeting of Friends. Indiana. It was advised and expected by the aforesaid Quarterly Meeting that the Members of the Society of Friends residing here should have their removal Certificate from their respective Mo. Meetings in

2 Mo. 1867 readiness at the opening of the Mo. Meeting on the third, fourth day of Fourth Month next - Therefore the Undersigned would respectfully ask for a removal Certificate to Chicago Mo. Meeting of Friends -

Respectfully your friends
Abraham R. Wing
Mary S. Wing
Mary Anna Wing
Samuel Wing

Susan Howland returns minute

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this Meeting a Certificate furnished her in the 3^{d} mo. last to pay a religious visit to each of the Quarterly Meetings in this Yearly Meeting and informed friends that she had been enabled to perform what she had in prospect to the great Comfort and peace of her own mind - she presented Communications from Rhode Island, Salem, Falmouth, Dover, Vassaboro, & Fairfield Quarterly Meetings informing us that her company and labors of love have been Acceptable to them - all of which is satisfactory to this Meeting -

Wm. C Rd. H Taber

Our beloved friends William C. and Rhoda H. Taber returned at this time a minute furnished them in 3^{d} mo. last to Accompany our friend Susan Howland on her visits to the Quarterly Meetings composing this Yearly Meeting - They presented returning minutes from these Quarterly Meetings informing us that their Company & Religious engagements have been Acceptable to them - which is satisfactory to us -

The Committee appointed last month to receive the contributions of friends for the use of this Meeting, presented the Treasurer's receipt for Six hundred Dollars the Amount proposed to be raised —

attest, Matthew Howland
clerk for the day.

3 mo. 1867 || At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3 mo. 28. 1867.

The clerk of this Meeting being absent Matthew Howland was appointed clerk and Henry T. Wood, assistant clerk for the day.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Edmund Gardner Seth K. Akin - Longplain Arnold G. Tripp and Thomas Wood who are present except one -

The Queries with Answers from our Preparative Meetings have been read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint Rufus Shearman John Wood, Edward G. Dillingham and Robert Earle to attend as our Representatives -

Qr. Mtg. Stock — We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting -

Tho. Akin — Henry T. Wood reports that he has informed Thos. Akin of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case

R Smith — The friend named last Month to give similar information to Rowland Smith reports he has attended to it -

Revision of Discipline — The subject of a revision of the book of Discipline having been introduced into this Meeting it was with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting decided to refer the subject to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

A R Wing & family — A removal Certificate on behalf of Abraham R. Wing, his Wife Mary S. Wing and their children Mary Anna Wing & Samuel Wing to Chicago Mo. Meeting, Illinois is approved by us with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

John R Davis — John R. Davis a member and Minister of this Meeting deceased 7 mo. 27th 1866 aged 90 years 10 mos. 18 days.

Mt. from Nantucket Mo. Mtg. — ((We have at this time received from Nantucket Monthly Meeting the following minute which was made by them 1 mo. 10th 1867. when that Meeting was discontinued - and also the accompanying list of persons who it appears are entitled to the right of membership - also an additional list supposed to be members of that Meeting which is referred to the following friends viz Geo. Howland Jr, Henry T. Wood, Wm. C. Taber & Matthew Barney to report their judgement at a future Meeting. ||

Nantucket
Mo. Meetg }

Nantucket Mo. Meeting of Men and Women Friends held jointly & by adjournment 1 mo. 10th 1867.

Friends met agreeable to adjournment.

The following minute of our last Quarterly Meeting, together with the report of the Committee appointed to consider the request made by this Meeting in the 10th mo. last, was received and read. It is Acceptable to us, and in Accordance therewith we hereby transfer to New Bedford Mo. Meeting, the superintendance of all the Property belonging to this Monthly Meeting, consisting as follows.

Our Meeting house & land on Centre street.

Our interest in a building called the Friend's Asylum on Main street.

One share in the Old South Wharf and Four hundred & forty four 03/100 dollars deposited in the Nantucket Ins. for Savings by the Treasurer of this Meeting and a Balance in his hands of Nine 73/100 Dollars, together with all other claims and demands of whatever description & wheresoever situated -

Our clerk is directed to deliver our records and papers to the clerk of New Bedford Mo. Meeting, and furnish that Meeting with a list of our members as far as can be ascertained - With this minute is closed the existence of Nantucket Mo. Meeting, which Commenced under the ministry of Thos. Story about the year 1704. Through the influence of Divine grace, abundantly vouchsafed to the inhabitants of this Island, it increased until its membership included a large portion of our citizens, but by the operation of adverse circumstances and a dividing Spirit, it is reduced to a mere handful.

Extracted from minutes of Nantucket Mo. Meeting of Men & Women friends held jointly and by adjournment 12th mo. 27, 1866 and 1 mo. 10. 1867.

Matthew Barney, clerk.

Names of Members of late Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends at the time of its Annexation to New Bedford Monthly Meeting - viz.

over

Members of Nantucket Mo. Meeting annexed to N Bedford Mo. Meeting.

3 m. 1867 Matthew Barney
Sally M. Barney - (his Wife)
William M. Barney (their Son)
George Easton
Sarah Easton - (his Wife)
Sarah J. Easton (non compos)
Timothy Hussey about 83 years old
William Hosier 47 Ditto
Eunice Marshall (now in Worcester)
Lydia B. Mitchell (an Elder aged 79 years
Wm. Forster Mitchell now in Nashville, Tenn.
Joseph Mitchell 2d son of George at Nantucket
Judith Paddack (Widow of Peter) an Elder, 84 yrs
Lydia Swain - at Nantucket
Sarah Swain - Ditto
Eunice Kay (Wife of David Kay) - 72 yrs
Mary Coffin (Widow of Cromwell) - 84 yrs
Abraham R. Wing
Mary S. Wing } living in Chicago
Mary Anna Wing
Samuel Wing
22 Geo. Frederic Mitchell (son Jos. Mitchell 2d) 22 yrs

Signed on behalf of Nantucket Mo.
Mt'g of Men & women Friends held 1 mo. 10. 1867.
Matthew Barney, clerk.

We appoint Matthew Barney as one of the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting and Agent for the Funds held by Friends at Nantucket for the Support of the Poor —

Attest Matthew Howland
Clerk for the day.

4 mo 1867 At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 4 mo 25 1867

The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford. Ezra Kelley, Albert Wood, Long Plain, John Wood & Peter D Slade, who~~se~~ are present except one

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they attended.

Overseers of Poor

The time having expired for which the overseers of the poor of this meeting were appointed, we appoint Edmund Gardner, Geo. Howland Jr, Seth K Aiken, Rufus Sherman John Wood, Richard Davis, E. C. Delano, Edw. G Dillingham, Matthew Howland and Mathew Barney, (and the latter appointed agent to disburse the funds which belong to Nantucket Mo. Meeting) as overseers of the poor for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Mary T Porter

This meeting unites with the womens meeting in retaining Mary T Porter, late Gifford in membership, who had deviated in marriage.

attest Charles R Tucker }
Clerk }

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5 mo: 23. 1867.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford. Abraham Barker, James M. Tripp - Longplain, Cornelius Macomber & Seth C. Bradford who are present except One -

Clerks

The time for which the clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired, the Representatives proposed Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk which being united with, they are appointed to those services for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

Our friend Charles R. Tucker having requested to be released from serving this Meeting longer as clerk, we Accordingly release him and would express our satisfaction at the uniform faithfulness with which he has fulfilled the

5 mo 1867 duties of Clerk of this Meeting during the past 14 years -

The time for which the Recorder and Assistant Recorders of this Meeting were

Recorders appointed having expired - We appoint Henry T. Wood as Recorder and Richard Davis and Charles Taber Assistant Recorders for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

The following communication was received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative

Laban Crocker Meeting in relation to Laban Crocker's deviation in Marriage - We appoint Edward G. Dillingham and Gideon Wood to visit him on this Account and report at a future Meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting

The Overseers inform that Laban P. Crocker a member of this Meeting, but now residing within the limits of Sandwich Monthly Meeting has married out of the Order of our Society with one who is not a member -

Matthew Howland
Seth K. Akin
Henry T. Wood, overseers.

The following request from James Harper recd

James Harper through New Bedford Preparative Meeting to become a Member of our Religious Society is referred to Rufus Shearman & Benjn Anthony to report their judgement at a future Meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends,

I respectfully request, should the Meeting think it proper, to be received into membership with Friends -

New Bedford
5 mo. 16. 1867.
James Harper.

William W. Gifford having requested a Removal

William W. Gifford Certificate to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting, we appoint Seth K. Akin and Gideon Wood to take the necessary care in the case and report at our next Meeting.

The following Reports from Committee appointed in 3d mo. last in relation to members transferred from Nantucket Mo. Meeting was received at this time, one of which the Women's Meeting Reports they have taken

5 mo 1867 cognizance thereof -

To the Monthly Meeting

Report in relation to members Nantucket Meeting

The Committee appointed to ascertain the right of membership of those reputed to belong to the late Nantucket Monthly Meeting, report, that they have corresponded with Edward Mitchell upon that subject -

He informs us that he considers himself a member of the Separate Meeting at Nantucket and does not express any wish to be recognized as a member with us - We apprehend that nothing will be gained by further effort in his case -

We further report that Edward & Barker Marshall who reside at Worcester have both married out of our Society and have also both been in the Army

Geo Howland Jun
Henry T. Wood
Committee

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed with reference to the Members of the late Nantucket Mo. Meeting report that Phebe Barker one of that number has for a period of years resided within the limits of Uxbridge Mo. Meeting. Although considerably advanced in years, we recommend that a Certificate of Membership be forwarded to that Meeting in her behalf.

Geo. Howland Jr
Henry T. Wood
Com.

And this meeting is united in conferring upon this Committee full power to treat with any of those individuals reputed to be members of Nantucket Mo. Meeting in reference to their claims or fitness to become members of this Meeting and Report at a future time -

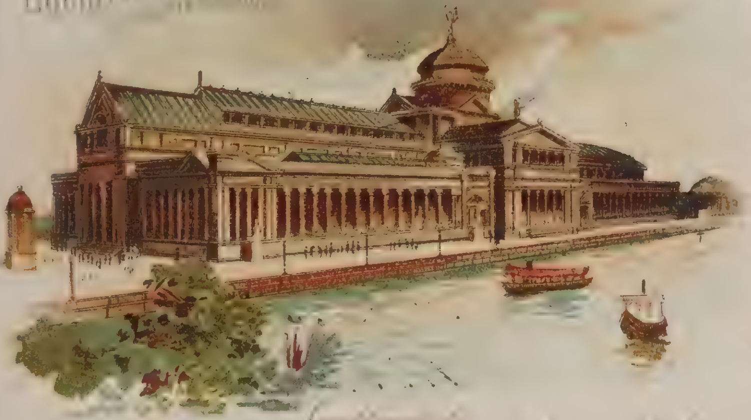
Abm R. Wing & family

A communication from Chicago Mo. Meeting informs us that they have received a Removal Certificate from us on behalf of Abraham R. Wing & family -

The Committee appointed in the 12 mo. last to audit the Accounts of Treasurer of this Meeting and for other duties make the following additional report which is acceptable & satisfactory.

PHYSICIAN'S BLOTTER

Liquid Peptonoids



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5 mo 1867

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

Report of Auditors

The Committee appointed to examine the different Trust funds under the Care of this Meeting Report that we have examined the Account of Jonathan Cowen Treas. of Longplain Preparative Meeting of the Income arising under the will of Abner Pease of Fairhaven and find Vouchers for all the charges therein and a balance in his hands of one hundred & fifteen 66/100 dollars and believe said Account to be correct

New Bedford 5 mo 23. 1867.

Joseph Grinnell
Joseph Taber
Ezra Kelley
Arnold G. Tripp } Com.

attest Matthew Howland, clerk

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6 mo. 27. 1867.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford - Albert Wood & Edward W. Howland - Long Plain Jonathan Cowen - Edw. G. Dillingham who are present except one -

Robt W. Douglass visit Daniel Mc Pherson

Our beloved friends Robert W. Douglass of Clear creek Mo. Meeting, Clinton Co, Ohio and Daniel Mc Pherson of Gilead Monthly Meeting, Lewis Co, Missouri endorsed by Centre Quarterly Meeting, Indiana, attended our Meeting at this time presenting minutes from their respective Meetings, expressing unity with them as Ministers and with their present religious engagements - their company and religious labors have been Acceptable to us -

Sarah F. Smiley

Our beloved friends Sarah F. Smiley of Cedar Creek Mo. Meeting held at Richmond endorsed by Half Years Meeting held at Black Creek, Southampton Co, Virginia and Abigail B. Kelley of Greenwich Mo. Meeting endorsed by Alum Creek Q'y Meeting, Goshen, Logan Co Ohio, attended this Meeting & presented satisfactory minutes from their respective Meetings expressing unity with them as Ministers and with their

6 mo. 1867 present religious engagements - their Company and religious services have been Acceptable to us The clerk is directed to furnish these friends with copies of the above Minutes so far as they relate to each respectively and sign them on our behalf -

Margaret H. White Companion S. F. Smiley

Our beloved friend Margaret H. White of Baltimore Mo. Meeting for Eastern & Western District, Maryland attended this Meeting as Companion to our friend Sarah F. Smiley and presented a satisfactory Minute from that Meeting - her Company has been Acceptable to us.

The Queries with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d and 10th have been read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting - We appoint Rufus Shearman, Benjn Anthony, Wm C. Taber and Edw. W. Howland to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

Wm W. Gifford

A Removal Certificate to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of William W. Gifford is approved with Concurrence of the Women's Meeting

Jas. Harper

The Committee appointed last month to visit James Harper in reference to his request to become a member of our Religious Society made the following report

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear friends,

Agreeable to appointment we have visited James Harper on Account of his request to become a member of our religious society - We can truly say that the interview was a very satisfactory one - and we are united in the belief, that it may be safe to receive him into membership with us - which we submit to the Meeting, beleiving him sincere in his request -

Rufus Shearman
Benjamin Anthony

which being united with by this and the Women's Meeting, we receive him into membership with us and Rufus Shearman is appointed to give him this information

Joseph T. Shearman having applied through N Bedford Preparative Meeting for

6 mo 1867 a Removal Certificate to Phila. Mo. Meeting
Jos. T. for Western District - We appoint Henry T.
Shearman Wood and Seth K. Akin to take the necessary
Care in the case and report at our next Meeting

We unite with the Women's Meeting
Phebe Bunker in a Removal Certificate to Uxbridge Mo.
Meeting on behalf of Phebe Bunker

We also unite with them in retaining Sarah L. Macomber late Slade a member of our religious Society -

We have received 250 Copies of the London General Epistle for 1866 and appoint Rufus Shearman, Seth K. Akin, Richd Davis, John Wood Jr, J Holmes Jr & Edw. G. Dillingham to distribute them among our members and others who are in the habit of attending our religious Meetings -

We Unite with the Women's Meeting in
Anna G. Wood furnishing our beloved friend Anna G. Wood
with a minute expressing our unity with her in Accompanying our friend Elizabeth Meader on her proposed religious visit to Canada Yearly Meeting - she being an Elder in Unity with us -

attest, Matthew Howland
Clerk -

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7 mo. 25. 1867.

The Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford - Samuel Rodman, Geo. Howland Jr - Long plain, Joseph Kempton & Cornelius Macomber who are present -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

The friend appointed last month to inform James Halfpen of the conclusion of this Meeting in reference to his request, reports that he has informed him -

A Removal certificate to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting for Western District, on behalf of Jos. T. Shearman was presented & approved with the concurrence of Women's Meeting -

over

7 mo 1867 Wm Forster Mitchell We are informed through N. Bedford Preparative Meeting that Wm Forster Mitchell who is about to visit Europe, requests our certificate of his membership, the clerk is directed to furnish him with the same and sign it on our behalf -

Our beloved friend Abigail B. Kelley who attended this Meeting last month is again Acceptably with us -

A returning Minute is received from Canada Yearly Meeting on behalf of our beloved friend Anna G. Wood which is Acceptable to us -

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8 mo. 22d 1867.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Jos. Grinnell, Edward W. Howland - Longplain Jonathan Cowen, John R. Davis Jr who are present -

William Jenkins visit Our Beloved friend William Jenkins attended this Meeting and presented a minute from Alliance Mo. Meeting, endorsed by Damascus Q'y Meeting, Ohio expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements - his company and religious services have been Acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute

Robt W. Douglass Our beloved friend Robert W. Douglass is again Acceptably with us and his religious services have been edifying to us

The Committee appointed in relation to members belonging to Nantucket Meeting made the following report in part and presented the accompanying documents received from Mary Allen and Mary Ann Albertson which have been referred to the Women's Meeting for Action.

Report of Com. in Members Nantucket Meeting To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed in relation to certain Members at Nantucket would report in part, that they have corresponded with Mary Allen & Mary Ann Albertson and have received the accompanying replies which they refer to the Monthly Meeting

New Bedford
8 mo. 21. 1867

Geo Howland Jun } Com
Wm C. Taber }
Henry T. Wood }

YEARLY MEETING

6TH MONTH, 1867.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends: The Committee in charge of the Boarding School report, that during the Summer Term of 1866, there were in attendance 136 pupils, viz: 88 males and 48 females. In the Autumn half Term, 178, viz: 102 males and 76 females.

The officers of the Institution have been,—Albert K. Smiley, Principal; Alfred H. Smiley, Assistant Principal; Rebecca H. Smiley, Principal of the Female Department; John F. Rowell, Sarah F. Coffin, and Mary A. Cornell, teachers of English branches; William B. Phillips, teacher of Ancient and Modern Languges; Elijah Cook, teacher of Mathematics; and Mary A. Potter, teacher of Drawing. Sarah A. Taber and Alice R. Wing, have also been employed as teachers of English branches during a portion of the past year. Under this organization, which it will be observed is nearly the same as for several years past, the affairs of the School have been carefully and satisfactorily conducted.

During the fore part of the year the arrangements for religious meetings were the same as last year, but the committee believing that the pupils were overtaxed on First days have discontinued the morning meeting at the school, except during inclement weather, and have allowed them to attend the morning meeting as well as the week day meeting in the city. First day afternoons and evenings are devoted to Bible instruction and reading, and the result has, we think, been satisfactory to all concerned.

For some time past the Committee in charge of the School, as well as those more immediately connected therewith, have felt that the present accommodations for pupils are not adequate to promote their health and comfort. Two wants have especially claimed their attention:—1st, that of separate dormitories for the girls instead of the present plan of placing them all in two rooms; 2d, a large Hall or collecting room to be used, under the direction of the committee, for Religious Meetings, Lectures, Public Examinations, Meetings of the Alumni, or other purposes. The largest room in the present building is quite too limited to meet the wants of the School, not being commodious enough to allow of inviting the parents of pupils to be present at the exercises connected with the graduating class.

Accordingly, with the approbation of the Meeting for Sufferings, the Committee have begun the erection of a three story building 126 feet long, with an average width of 45 feet. The first floor contains a Hall capable of seating 400 persons, and adjoining it is a Library and Reading Room, fitted up with alcoves for the reception of books and cases for minerals and other Natural History collections. This room is connected with the Hall by sliding doors, and will enlarge its capacity so that six or seven hundred persons can be comfortably seated. The second and third stories are devoted to girls' dormitories. There are 29 rooms, ranging in size from 9 by 15 feet to 15 feet square, fitted for the reception of two pupils each. Each room is supplied with a large closet and separate means of ventilation. There are also large store closets for bedding, &c. in each of the upper stories, and proper washing apparatus supplied by tanks under the roof. In the basement are rooms for three hot air furnaces, a coal room, a large reservoir cistern to be used in case of fire, and a spacious and convenient cellar. In consequence of the transfer of the minerals and the philosophical and chemical apparatus to the new library and apparatus rooms, and the removal of about fifty-six girls to the new dormitories, much room will be vacated in the present building. It is proposed to devote a part of this space on the south side of the building to increasing the limited accommodations for the sick. The present nurseries are on the north side of the house, exposed to the noise of the boys' play-ground, and are only suitable to receive patients slightly indisposed. It is very desirable that pupils affected with contagious diseases, or seriously from any other cause, should be provided with quiet, well ventilat and sunny rooms, where they can receive careful attention from nur specially devoted to them. It is proposed to divide off another port of the room into separate dormitories for the girls, corresponding w those in the new building, and to appropriate the remaining spa increasing the somewhat limited sleeping accommodations of the bo and to other purposes. It is expected that the building will be rea to be occupied at the opening of the year 1868.

The whole cost, including furnishing, grading grounds, making required changes in the present building, and all other necessary penses will be about $42,000. Through the efforts of the Alu Association, upwards of $10,000 have been very generously contribu by the friends of the School, for the erection of this building. Th is also on hand a balance to the credit of the School of about $12,0 It will therefore be necessary to incur a debt of about $20,000, in o to carry out the proposed plans. The financial condition of the sc is such as to warrant the belief that the debt can be liquidated in a years.

By the Report of the Auditing Committee it appears that the inc of the School during the present year (ending 6th month 26th, 18 will exceed the current expenditure by about $3,000.

The charges for the ensuing year of forty weeks, we propose sh be as follows, one-half payable at the commencement of the school, one half at the opening after the recess, viz:

For members of our Yearly Meeting,.......... ....$

For members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or for scholars that are sent at the charge of such, ...$

For any others that may be admitted,...................$

An additional charge of $10 is made for one year's instructio Latin, Greek, French, German, or Drawing.

Pupils may be withdrawn at the close of the half year *only* when plication is made therefor at the time of entering.

The Committee earnestly desire that the number of those who withdrawn at the close of the first half year may be as small as poss as, in the arrangement of classes and studies, reference is made, marily, to those who remain through the year, constituting as they a large majority of the school, and it will therefore happen that who remain but half the term will receive much less than a proport ate share of advantages.

Applications for admission into the School should be made seas bly for the meeting of the Committee on the 16th of seventh m next. Those who are members of our Yearly Meeting will have cedence of all others, after which applications will be considered i order in which they are received.

Those who desire the benefit of the charitable fund or of the "J Metcalf donation," should apply at the time specified, and in all t cases information is desired of the age, moral habits, and literar quirements of the applicants.

Applications for admission, should be made to the Principals.

Address,
ALBERT K. SMILEY,
Principal of Friends Boarding School,
Providence,

The School Year opens 9th month 4th, 1867.
Recess of two weeks begins 1st month 20th, 1868.
Second half year begins 2d month 3d, 1868.

On behalf of the Committee,
WM. A. ROBINSON,
Clerk for the

(From the Minutes of the Meeting.)

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Sept 21 1867

8mo 1867

Nantucket 5 mo 28th 1867.

Matthew Barney
Respected friend

I am a member of Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends, and always have been, and no other.

Respectfully, Mary Allen

Philadelphia 6 mo. 7. 1867

To the Com. of N Bedford Mo. Meeting
Resptd Friends

The reception of your letter was quite a surprise to me, never having considered myself, or known that I was considered a member of your Meeting — Although I am not conscious of any hard feelings towards you individually or as a Society or towards any others who may differ from me in religious sentiment — I prefer to not be considered as a member of your Meeting

Very Respectfully
Mary Ann Albertson

We have received an extract from our last Yearly Meeting comprising the Report of the Boarding School Committee, which being read was interesting to us

The Committee appointed in the Sixth Month last to distribute the London General Epistle and the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting report they have attended to that duty —

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9 mo. 26th 1867.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford, Rufus Shearman, Albert Wood — Longplain Edw G. Dillingham & Jonathan Cowen — who are present —

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting. We appoint Rufus Shearman, Wm C. Taber, Edward G. Dillingham and Jos. Grinnell as our Representatives to that Meeting —

The joint Committee of this Meeting upon the subject of Education and first-day Schools

9 mo 1867 made the following Report, which being read was very interesting and satisfactory to this Meeting and Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin, Richd Davis, Elnathan E. Delano, Jos. Holmes Jr, Rufus Shearman, Edw. G. Dillingham & John Wood Jr are appointed a Committee to unite with a similar Com. of Women friends for the ensuing year and they are encouraged to promote Religious Education among our Youth and others who may be connected with us in our first-day schools

To the Monthly Meeting

Report of Committee Education

The joint Committee on the subject of Education Report, that attention has been given to the object of our appointment, which seemed to be mainly to promote the maintenance of First-day schools within our limits - A school has been sustained within the compass of each of the Meetings composing this Monthly Meeting - At New Bedford the school has increased during the year and (including adults) now numbers 130 members of whom about one half are members of our Society - At Fairhaven a little school was opened on the 4th of 8th mo. and now numbers 13 scholars with an Average attendance of 5 - The work was commenced here under some discouragement and considerable labor and care may be needful to sustain and build up this school - and we desire the encouragement of Friends of that meeting in the enterprise -

A small school has been kept up this summer at Acushnett under one teacher, with an average attendance of 8 scholars two of whom are members of our Society -

Early in the 5th mo. a school was commenced at Friends Meeting house in Mattaposett and has been continued with very encouraging results - It is held in the morning during the hour previous to Meeting, and at present numbers 46 members with an average attendance of 35 - of this number three only are members of our Society - A first-day school in this neighborhood is we believe likely to become highly beneficial to a circle of population which might otherwise grow up nearly destitute of scriptural instruction, and will we trust yield a rich reward for the care and labor necessary to sustain it -

The school at Longplain was kept up during a greater part of the year, but is not at present in

9 mo 1867 operation - It was very small, the attendance not exceeding an average of 5 scholars under one teacher. It is to be hoped that Friends of this meeting will lend it their countenance and support, as a field of usefulness in this direction is very apparent in the neighborhood -

On behalf of the Committee
9th mo. 26th 1867 — Henry T. Wood
Sylvia G. Howland

A communication from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting informs us they have received and accepted our Certificate on behalf of William W. Gifford

The following report in part from the Committee having care of members belonging to Nantucket Meeting was received and read and referred to the Women's Meeting for action

Report of Com. on Members Nantucket Meeting

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed in relation to certain persons reputed to be members of the late Nantucket Mo. Meeting again report in part, that they have received replies from communications addressed to Lydia Marshall Jun. Lydia J. Spencer, Eliza R. Mitchell, Ann Barney and Hepzibeth C. Barney which they herewith present for the consideration of the Monthly Meeting

New Bedford
9 mo. 26. 1867 —
Geo. Howland Jun.
William C. Taber } Com.
Henry T. Wood

Sarah Antone

We unite with the Women's Meeting in receiving Sarah Antone into membership with us

This Meeting unites with a request from members of New Bedford Preparative Meeting that their First-day afternoon Meetings may be held at 3 o'clock until otherwise ordered commencing on 10 mo. 6th 1867 —

attest Matthew Howland, clerk -

10 mo 1867 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10 mo. 24th 1867.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber, Ezra Kelley - Longplain Abram Gifford & Corn Macomber who are present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended

Report of Com. on Members Nantucket Meeting

The Committee appointed in relation to Friends reputed to be members of Nantucket Meeting made the two following Reports in part, which being read, were referred to the Women's Meeting

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed with reference to certain Members of the late Nantucket Monthly Meetg report in part that the following persons are reputed to be members of our Society, who do not attend our Religious Meetings.

Catherine Austin, Elizabeth F. Gardner, Martha Hussey, Mary Coleman, Lucretia Cartwright - Widow - Elizabeth Gardner, Wife of Francis - their daughter Elizabeth M. Gardner - Phebe Macy - Widow of Simeon - Mary Swain daughter of Hezekiah - All the above reside at Nantucket. We propose that this list be referred to the Women's Meeting for their attention —

10 mo. 3d 1867 —

Wm C. Taber
Matthew Barney
Geo Howland Jun
Henry T. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed in relation to certain Members of the late Nantucket Monthly Meetg report in part that the following persons are reputed to be members of our Society.

Ann Eliza Woods, Wife of Isaiah C. Woods now residing at New Ark N. J. Melinda Barney Wife of Joseph S. Barney, Nantucket - Both the above were married out of Society. Amelia M. Callender Wife of M. L. Callender 64 Sackett Street, Brooklyn - also married out of Society - Mary Folger Wife of Josiah has resided in New Orleans upwards of 20 years - We propose that the above cases be referred to the Women's Meeting for their Action —

10 mo. 3d 1867 —

Wm C. Taber
Matthew Barney
Geo Howland Jr
Henry T. Wood

11 mo 1867 We are informed by the clerk of Sandwich Monthly Meeting that they have received & Accepted our removal Certificate on behalf of Henry Russell.

Attest, Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11 mo. 28. 1867.

Representatives from New Bedford are Seth K. Akin, Robert B. Taber – Longplain Arnold G. Tripp and John Wood who are present except One.

The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting

We appoint Edward G. Dillingham, Abraham Barker, Edmund Gardner, and Josiah Holmes Jr to attend that Meeting as our Representatives

Repot Com. on members Nantucket Meeting

The Committee appointed on behalf of Members reputed to have belonged to Nantucket Mo. Meeting made the following report in part which being read and Considered this Meeting are united in the opinion that whereas Edward Mitchell has joined himself to the "Seperate body", we discontinue him a member of our Religious society, the Women's Meeting concurring herein, and Matthew Barney is appointed to inform him of this Conclusion

We unite with the Women's Meeting in approving a Removal Certificate to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting for the Western District on behalf of Hepsa H. Shearman and her daughter Mary Eliza Shearman.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee under appointment with reference to reputed Members of the late Nantucket Mo Meeting report in part that one of our number has again had an interview with Edward Mitchell – He says he sees no cause to change his former decision, and he will therefore remain with Fair st. friends, the "seperate body" – We beleive that further care on our part will not be useful

Wm C. Taber
Geo Howland Jun
Henry T. Wood
Committee

New Bedford
11 mo 26th 1867 —

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

12 mo 1867 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12 mo. 26th 1867.

Representatives from New Bedford Jos. Taber, Nathan Bowerman - Longplain Edw. G. Dillingham and John Wood Jr who are present -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

Jas. T. Almy and Wife Mary Ann's Request

James T. Almy and his Wife Mary Ann Almy having made the following request to be united in membership with us - We appoint Henry T. Wood & Wm Perne Howland to unite with a similar Com. of Women friends in visiting them on account of their request and report their judgement at a future Meeting -

Qy Meeting Stock

We are informed by Sandwich Qy Meeting that our proportion of Stock called for by that Meeting is $544 - 68 per ct - which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting when the condition of the Treasury will admit -

Sandwich Qu Meeting held 12 mo. 1867

The following new Apportionment of Stock amongst our Monthly Meetings was adopted at this time viz Sandwich 13% - Pembroke 2 do. Dartmouth 13 do. Westport 4 do. and New Bedford 68 do -

It was concluded in the Seventh Month to raise $800 for the services of the Quarterly Meeting the current year and foward the same to M Howland Treasurer - The Quota of N Bedford Mo. Meeting is 68% $544 -

From the Minutes Chs. R. Tucker, clerk

Auditors

We appoint Jos. Grinnell, Richard Davis Samuel Rodman & Gideon Wood to examine & settle the Treasurer's Acc. propose a sum to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year and the name of a friend for Treasurer - also to audit the several Trust funds under the care of this meeting and report next month -

Report of Com. on members Nantucket Meeting

The Committee appointed on behalf of Members reputed to belong to Nantucket Mo. Meeting made the two following reports in part - the one in relation to Peter J. Hassard being read and considered was accepted and we are united in retaining him a member of our Religious society the Women's Meeting concurring, and Henry T. Wood is appointed to inform hereof -

The other Report from same Committee in reference to Edward M. and Barker B.

12 mo 1867 Marshall now residing in Mineapolis, State of Minnesota, on being read, it was the judgement of the Meeting that we can pursue no other course than disown them as members of our Religious society, the Women's concurring herein and George Howland Jr is appointed to inform them of this conclusion -

A Removal certificate to Philadelphia Mo.
Peter J. Hassard Meeting, Western District on behalf of Peter J. Hassard being presented at this time was approved with the concurrence of Women's Meeting -

The Representatives who may be appointed to attend our next Mo. Meeting are requested to take into consideration the subject of the apportionment paid by our Preparative Meetings into the Treasury of this Meeting and report their judgement thereon -

Edward Mitchell The friend appointed last Month to inform Edward Mitchell of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case reports that he has informed him -

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed with reference to members of the late Nantucket Mo.
Peter J. Hazard Meeting report in part that they have ascertained that Peter J. Hassard whose name is not on the list furnished to us, and who left that Island, when very young and has for a number of years resided in Philadelphia, is a member of our Society -

In 1859, he was married out of the order of society with one not a member -

In a letter received for him he expresses a desire to retain his right of membership, and from information received from other sources respecting his life and conversation, we unite in recommending that he be continued a Member and that a removal Certificate be forwarded to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting, for the western District on his behalf

New Bedford 12 mo. 15. 1867

William C. Taber
Geo. Howland Jun
Henry T. Wood
Committee

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed with reference to the Members of the late Nantucket Mo. Meeting report in part that they have conferred with Edward M. and Barker B. Marshall of Minneapolis, State

12 mo 1867

Edward M. & Barker B. Marshall

of Minnesota and have received a joint reply in which they say "that our present Convictions warrant us in disclaiming any right of Membership in the society of Friends" And they add "while we revere the truth and beauty of your practical life, there are, as we understand matters pertaining to faith, which we cannot, as beings responsible to God and ourselves subscribe to"

Feeling that further labor will not be useful, we refer the cases to the Mo. Meeting

William C. Taber }
Geo. Howland Jr } Com.
Henry T. Wood }

Request of James T. & Mary Ann Almy

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends

Dear friends,

Having for a length of time thought it would be right for us to request to become Members of the Religious Society of Friends - We now ask that privilege, if you may deem us worthy

New Bedford 12 mo. 4th 1867. James T. Almy
Mary Ann Almy

Geo. Hussey Restoration to Member Ship - see 8 mo. 1856

After the usual business had been Acted upon, in compliance with a request from the Women's Meeting, the shutters were raised and a dear friend expressed in a feeling manner a concern that had weightily impressed her mind that friends might review in the spirit of gospel love the Action of this Monthly Meeting had many years since in the case of George Hussey, by which he was disowned, and if way should open for it in the minds of Friends, that he might be restored to membership -

The Meeting was brought into much sympathy and feeling on his Account and in a view of the Unity and fellowship manifested by him with friends, it was concluded at this time with much unanimity and with feelings of Christian love toward the friend and his family to restore him to membership -

Joseph Grinnell, Rebecca Grinnell & Rachel S. Howland were appointed to inform George Hussey and family of the conclusion of this Meeting

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

1 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1 mo 23rd 1868 –
Representatives from New Bedford – Charles R. Tucker
Edward W. Howland – Long Plain, Jonathan Cowing Jr
and Joseph R. Wing who are present –

The joint Committee appointed last month to inform
Geo. Hussey our friend George Hussey and family of the conclusion
of this Meeting in his case Report they have informed
them –

We unite with the Women's Meeting in Accepting
Rebecca A. a Removal Certificate from Westport Mo. Meeting
Church on behalf of Rebecca A. Church Wife of Christopher
C. Church –

The joint Committee appointed last month to
visit James T. Almy and his Wife Mary Ann in regard
James T. to their request to become members of our Religious
& Mary Ann Society made the following Report, which being
Almy read and considered was united with, and they
are accordingly admitted into membership with
us, the Women's Meeting concurring herein and
Henry T. Wood is appointed on the part of this Meeting
to inform them of the result of their request –

The Committee appointed last month to
Committee examine & settle the Treasurer's Account and for
to examine other services made the following report, which being
Treasurer's read & considered was Acceptable to the Meeting and
Accounts Henry T. Wood is reappointed Treasurer of this Meeting
the ensuing year or until another appointment –
and Seth W. Aken, Jas. M. Tripp, Joseph R. Wing, Arnold
G. Tripp, Henry R. Tucker & Edward G. Dillingham are
appointed to receive the Contributions of Friends to the
Amount of Five hundred Dollars, the sum proposed
to be raised and pay it over to our Treasurer and
present his receipt for the same when Accomplished –

We appoint William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood, Edw.
W. Howland and Geo. Howland Jr to have the care and
distribution of the income arising from the Charitable
Fund of our late dear friend Abm. Shearman Jr for
the ensuing year –

We appoint Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr,
Richard Davis, Edw. G. Dillingham and Chs. R. Tucker
to have the care and distribution for the ensuing year
of the income arising from the Educational Fund
left by the above named friend –

The Representatives to this Meeting who were
requested last month to take into consideration the

1 mo. 1868 apportionment which our Preparative Meeting pay to this Meeting Report, the time does not seem to have arrived for making any change -

The friend named last month to inform Peter J.
Peter J. Hazard Hassard of the conclusion of this meeting in his case, reports he has informed him -

To the Monthly Meeting

The joint Committee in the case
Report James T. Almy & Wife of James T. Almy and his Wife Mary Ann Almy have visited them upon the subject of their request to be admitted into Membership.

They appear sincere in this request and in their attachment to the principles of Truth as professed by our Religious Society - We recommend that they be received into membership.

New Bedford }
1 mo. 17th 1868. }
Henry T. Wood
Lydia Congdon
Rachel S. Howland
Wm P. Howland

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.

The Committee appointed to examine
Report of Committee on Treasurer's Account the Account of the Treasurer of the Mo. Meeting and to audit the Accounts of the several Trust Funds under the care of the Meeting, Report - that they have examined the Acc. of the Treasurer of this Meetg and find a Balance of $108 63/100 in his hands - and that he holds the following certificates of Stocks belonging to this Meeting viz. 21 shs. of the Nat. Bank of Commerce, in the Name of the Overseers of this Meeting, and a Coupon Bond of the U.States 5/20s for $500 - And we recommend that $500 be raised for the use of this Meeting, the ensuing year, and Henry T. Wood for Treasurer - We have also examined the A/c of the Com. having in charge the charitable fund of the late A Shearman Jr and find that the Nett income and the Balance on hand last year amounted to $172 96/100 - that there have been distributed in 27 donations the sum of $150 leaving a Balance of $22 96/100 in the hands of the Com. and that the Treas. of this Mo. Meetg holds a Certificate for 15 shares Merchants Nat. Bank stock in the Name of the Overs this Meetg Also - The Acc. of the Com. having in charge the Educational fund of the late A Shearman Jr and find that there has not been any distribution during the past year and there is now in the hands

1mo. 1868 of the Com. $\$135\frac{36}{100}$ – This fund consists of 12 shares Merchts Nat. Bank Stock in the name of the Over^{rs} of this Meetg and the certificate is in the hands of Henry T. Wood, Treasurer –

Also the Account of the Trustees having in charge the Funds of the Estate of the late John West – and find that Income & Balance on hand last year Amounted to $\$721\frac{17}{100}$ and that the Fund consists of 20 shs. First Nat. Bank & 30 shs. Merchants Nat. Bank in the name of the Trustees of John West's Estate And One Coupon Bond of U.S. 5/20 for $\$1000$ – all in the hands of Charles R. Tucker One of the Trustees –

Report of Auditors

Also the Account of the Overseers of this Meeting Trustees of the Abner Pease fund, and find a Balance of Income in their hands of $\$232\frac{72}{100}$, said fund consists of 55 shs. Nat. Bank of Commerce 50 shs. Merchts Nat. BK, 80 do Fairhaven Nat. BK – 31 do Mechanic's Nat. Do. 40 do First National Do. 10 do Boston & Providence Railroad, 3 do Gosnold Mills – The Certificates of the aforesaid Stock are in the Name of the Overseers of this Meeting & in the hands of Matthew Howland one of the Overseers – 5 U.S. Coupons Bonds $\$1000$ ea. payable in 1881. One Mass. Coupon Bond for $\$500$. Geo. Macomber's Note with sureties for $\$1300$. these securities are also in the hands of Matthew Howland

We have also examined the Acc. of Jon. Cowen Treas. of Longplain Preparative Meeting of the disbursement of the Income of the Abner Pease fund, and find that the Balance on hand at last settle^{t} and income received, Amounted to $\$3370\frac{37}{100}$ and that he has distributed $\$3108\frac{66}{100}$ leaving a Balance of $\$261\frac{71}{100}$ in his hands –

In the judgement of the Committee the management of the Trust funds aforesaid, and the distribution of the income thereof have been judicious – The Com^{te} recommend that the Coupon Bonds be exchanged for Registered Bonds for greater safety –

All the aforesaid Accounts are properly vouched, Kept in seperate Books and appear to be correct –

New Bedford
1mo. 22^{d} 1868.

Joseph Grinnell }
Samuel Rodman } Com.
Gideon Wood }
Richard Davis }

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

2 mo. 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2 mo. 27. 1868.
Representatives from New Bedford Jos. E. Smith Henry T. Wood – Longplain Corn Macomber and Arnold G. Tripp who are present except One –

The following communication was received from the Overseers through N Bedford Preparative Meeting informing us that Thos. S. Russell

Thomas S. Russell had married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a Member – We appoint Chas. R. Tucker & Wm Penn Howland to confer with him on this Account & report at a future Meeting –

Edward M. & Barker B. Marshall The friend appointed in the 12th mo last to inform Edward M. & Barker B. Marshall of the Conclusion of this Meeting in their case reports that he has informed them by letter –

Jas. T. Almy The friend named last month to inform Jas. T. Almy of his being admitted into Membership with us, reports he has informed him –

Report Committee on Funds The Committee appointed last month to receive the Contributions of Friends for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurer's receipt for Five hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised –

To the Monthly Meeting

The Overseers inform that Thomas S. Russell a Member of this Meeting now residing in San Francisco has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a Member

New Bedford
2 mo. 19th 1868.

Seth K. Akin
Henry T. Wood
Overseers

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

3 mo. 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3 mo. 26. 1868.
Representatives from New Bedford Jas. T. Almy, Samuel Rodman – Longplain John Wood and Joseph Kempton who are present –

The Queries with Answers from our Preparative
Queries Meetings have been read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting – We appoint Rufus Shearman, Abrm. Barker, Jos. R. Wing and Richard Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives –

A Removal Certificate from Dartmouth
William W. Allen Mo. Meeting on behalf of William W. Allen was read and Accepted with the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting –

We unite with the Women's Meeting in approving a Removal Certificate to New
Mary T. Porter York Mo. Meeting on behalf of Mary T. Porter Wife of George Porter – Also in Accepting a Removal Certificate on account of Anna B. and Hannah B. Gifford from Westport Mo. Meeting –

We are informed that our proportion of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

attest Matthew Howland, clerk

4 mo. 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4 mo. 23d 1868.
Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting from New Bedford are Geo. Howland Jr, Jas. Harper – Longplain, Edw. G. Dillingham + Peter D. Slade who are present –

Representatives Q'y Meeting The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended –

The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we
Overseers of Poor appoint Edmund Gardner, Geo. Howland Jr, Seth R. Akin, Rufus Shearman, John Wood, Richard Davis, E. E. Delano, Edw. G. Dillingham, Matthew Howland and Matthew Barney (the latter appointed Agent to disburse the Funds which belong to Nantucket Meeting) as Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

We unite with the Women's Meeting in retaining Patience S. Davis late Delano as a member of our Society, she having deviated in marriage –

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

5 mo. 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5 mo. 28th 1868.

Representatives from New Bedford are Rufus Shearman, Gideon Wood - Longplain Thos. Wood and Jos. Kempton who are present -

Appointment of Clerks

The time for which the clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired, Rufus Shearman on behalf the Representatives proposed Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk which being approved, they are Accordingly appointed to those services for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

Thomas S. Russell

The Committee appointed in 3d mo. last to confer with Thos. S. Russell on Account of his deviation in marriage made the following report - which is Acceptable to this meeting and we unite in retaining him a member of our Religious Society the Womens Meeting concurring herein and William P. Howland is named to inform him of this Conclusion -

To the Monthly Meeting

Report

In the 3d month we were appointed to treat with Thomas S. Russell on Acc. of his deviation in marriage - Our Correspondance with him has been very satisfactory; he expresses a deep interest in, and attachment to Society, and regrets that he is deprived from attending our Meetings by his remote situation in San Francisco - and desires to Acknowledge the kind feeling manifested towards him by friends, and if continued a member, he hopes that no future Act on his part may give them cause to regret it -

New Bedford
5 mo. 14th 1868.

Charles R. Tucker
Wm P. Howland

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

6 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6 mo. 25th 1868.
Representatives from New Bedford are Jas. T. Almy, Seth K. Akin - Longplain J Holmes Jr, and Jonathan Cowen who are present -

Edward C. Young's Minute
Our beloved friend Edward C. Young attended this Meeting and presented testimonials from Goshen Mo. Meeting, Logan Co. Ohio endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagement - his Company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us -

Joseph W. Jay Companion
Our Esteemed friend Joseph W. Jay attended this Meeting as Companion to our friend Edward C. Young and presented a satisfactory minute from Raysville Mo. Meeting, Indiana - his Company has been Acceptable to us - The clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with a copy of these minutes so far as they relate to each respectively -

Queries
The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers to the 1st 2d & 10th from our Preparative Meetings, a summary of which is approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting - We appoint our friends Rufus Shearman, Edward G. Dillingham, Jos. R. Wing and Wm C. Taber to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

General Epistle
We have received at this time 270 copies of the London General Epistle for 1867 and appoint Rufus Shearman, Seth K. Akin, Henry T. Wood, John Wood Jr, Jona Cowen, John R. Davis Jr, Josiah Holmes Jr, Peter D. Slade and Robert B. Taber to distribute them among our members -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk

7 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7 mo 23d 1868.
Representatives from New Bedford are Geo. Howland Jr, Ezra Kelley - Longplain Joseph R. Wing & Cornl. Macomber who are present -
The Representatives to the Quarterly Meetg Report they all attended -
The following request was received from James T. Almy and his wife Mary Ann Almy to have their minor Children Sarah W., Emma M.,

7 mo 1868 Frank O. and Walter T. Almy received into membership with us – We appoint Henry T. Wood and Wm

J. T. Almy's P. Howland to unite with a similar Committee from

Children the Women's Meeting to visit them on this Account and report at a future Meeting

A communication from New York Mo. Meeting acknowledging the Acceptance of our Removal Certificate on behalf of Mary G. Porter was presented at this time

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends
Dear friends,

Having a desire that our minor children should become members of the Society of friends – we now ask, that they may be taken under your care for that end – viz Sarah W. Emma M. Frank O. and Walter T. Almy

New Bedford 7 mo. 23d 1868.

James T. Almy
Mary Ann Almy.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

8 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8 mo. 27. 1868.

Representatives from New Bedford are James M Tripp, Henry T. Wood – Longplain Edward G. Dillingham and John Wood Jr who are present –

The following Communication received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting

Wm P. informing us that William P. Howland Jr has married

Howland Jr out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member – We appoint Abraham Barker & Jas. M. Tripp to confer with him on this Acc. and report at a future Meeting –

We are informed by the Clerk of Sandwich Qy Meeting that our Proportion of Stock for that

Qy Meeting Meeting the present Year is $1122. which our Treas.

Stock is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when he is in possession of the necessary funds –

The Committee appointed in 1 mo. 1863 in relation to visiting some of our Members who had deviated by violation of our Ancient testimony against all War made the following report in

Jonathan relation to an interview had with Jonathan E.

E Cowen Cowin on this Account which being considered was fully united with, and notwithstanding his

8 mo 1868

having married contrary to Discipline we retain him a member of our Religious Society in accordance with his desires and the concurrence of the Women's Meeting and Charles R. Tucker is appointed to inform him hereof –

Jas. T. Almy's Children

The joint Committee appointed last Month to visit James T. Almy's family on account of a request to have his four minor children received into membership with us, made the following Report, which was united with and they admitted as members of our Religious Society, the Women's Meeting concurring herein, and Henry T. Wood is named to give them this information

Rachel S. Howland's Minute

Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland returned to this Meeting a minute granted her in 11 mo. 1865. informing us that the Religious service therein specified had been partially accomplished to the relief of her own mind, which is acceptable and satisfactory to this meeting –

Thos. S. Russell

The friend appointed to inform Thomas S. Russell of the Conclusion of this Meeting in his case reports that he has informed him –

To the Monthly Meeting

The Overseers inform that William P. Howland Jr now residing in New York has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member

New Bedford
8 mo 20. 1868

Seth K. Akin
Henry T. Wood
Overseers

To the Monthly Meeting,

The Committee in the case of Jonathan E. Cowin, who has for sometime been living in a distant State, have not been unmindful of their appointment; and one of their number has recently had an interview with him in good measure to satisfaction – he expressing that his views in relation to War were changed since he enlisted in the Army, and that he now desired to be retained in membership with us – We are induced to believe that notwithstanding he has recently married one not a member of our Society, it would be safe for the Meeting to continue him a Member.

On behalf of the Committee
New Bedford
8 mo. 26. 1868.

William C. Taber
Charles R. Tucker
Henry T. Wood

8 mo 1868 To the Monthly Meeting

The joint Committee appointed upon the application of James T. Almy and his Wife Mary Ann Almy for admission to membership in our Society of their four minor children viz. Sarah W. Emma M. Frank O. and Walter T. Almy report that we have visited the family with a good degree of satisfaction

The parents have, we trust, been induced to take this step by feelings of religious interest for the welfare of their children, and the eldest daughter, sixteen years of age informed us that she felt desirous for herself, of becoming a member of our Society -

We recommend that they be received into membership

Wm P. Howland
Henry T. Wood
Rhoda H. Taber
Rachel S. Howland

New Bedford
8 mo. 1868.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

9 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9 mo. 24th 1868.

Representatives from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jun Ezra Kelley - Longplain Richard Davis and Elnathan E. Delano who are present -

Edward C. Young Our beloved friend Edward C. Young of Ohio who was present with us in the 6th mo. last and whose testimonials were then read and recorded is again acceptably with us and his labors have been edifying and encouraging -

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2d and 10th a summary of which was approved & directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting - We appoint Charles Taber, Wm P. Howland, Jos. R. Wing, Seth K. Akin and Benjn Anthony to attend that meeting as our Representatives -

Wm P. Howland Jr The Committee appointed last month to confer with Wm P. Howland Jr on account of his deviation in marriage made the following Report - which, after consideration it was concluded to leave the matter in the hands of the Committee for further labor and report at a future meeting -

Eliza Wing We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a Removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting

9mo 1868 on behalf of Eliza Wing widow of Ezra Wing.

The friend appointed last month to inform

J.E. Cowen Jonathan E. Cowen of the conclusion of this meeting in his case, reports that he has informed him -

Henry T. Wood also reports having informed James T. Almy that his children have been admitted into membership with us in accordance with their request -

The Committee appointed in 6th mo. last to distribute the London general Epistle and printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting among our members and those who usually attend our meetings, Report they have performed that duty -

To the Monthly Meeting -

The Committee appointed to visit William

Wm P. Howland Jr P Howland Jr, on account of his deviation in marriage, with one not in membership with us make the following report - Not having an opportunity to visit him personally in this City, we addressed a letter to him in New York, informing him of our appointment &c - He acknowledged the receipt of our letter, and in reply thereto said -

"I would desire to express with emphasis, the respect which I always have, and do still entertain for the Society of Friends, as well as the pleasure it gives me to attend their Meetings - It is proper however for me to state, that I have lately become connected in membership with the church of the Pilgrim (Congregational) in Brooklyn - I should regret very much to lose my association with Friends, and shall avail of the opportunity to be present at their meetings in New Bedford when I am in that City -"

This statement embraces all the material facts in the case, which we respectfully submit to the Meeting -

Abim Barker }
James M. Tripp } Committee

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

10 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10 mo. 22d 1868.

Representatives from New Bedford Jos. Grinnell Samuel Rodman - Longplain John Wood & Jonathan Cowen who are present -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

Laban P. Crocker

The Committee appointed in 5th mo 1867 to visit Laban P. Crocker on account of his deviation in marriage made the following report, which being read and considered is satisfactory to this Meeting and we continue him a member of our Religious Society the Women's Meeting concurring herein, and Gideon Wood is appointed to give him this information

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends

Agreeable to our appointment we have had communication with Laban P. Crocker, and one of our number has had a personal interview with him on account of his deviation in marriage: which he acknowledged; and he also expressed an attachment for Friends and a decided choice to be retained in membership, which we submit to the Meeting

New Bedford 10 mo. 22d 1868 } E. G. Dillingham
Gideon Wood

Report of Com. on Burial Grounds

The Committee appointed to have the Oversight of Funerals and Care of Burial grounds made the following report; which, being read was acceptable to this Meeting and we appoint Wm P. Howland, Chas. R. Tucker, Geo. Howland Jr, Henry T. Wood, Edmund Gardner Gideon Wood, Jos. S. Tillinghast, Richd Davis, Jos. R. Wing, Peter D. Slade, Jno. Wood, Ed. G. Dillingham, Jos. Kempton, E. E. Delano, Jon. Cowen, Josiah Holmes Jr, Ed. W. Howland, Rufus Shearman, Jos. Taber, & Matthew Howland to that service the ensuing year or until another appointment to report to this Meeting next year

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee having the Oversight of funerals and the care of Burial grounds report - that some of our number have been in attendance of all funerals during the past year either of our own members or of others, where the care of Friends has been requested - As in former years the greater number of these funerals has been of those not members of our Society and whose remains have been buried in grounds other than our own -

An examination of the several burial grounds belonging

10 mo 1868 to Friends, shew that attention has been given to all of them during the year and they are now in pretty good order both with respect to their condition and enclosure, except that at New Bedford, a portion of the fence is poor and must be renewed the ensuing season -

No interments are reported during the year at Longplain Acushnett or at Mattapoisett and only six have been buried at New Bedford - Since the purchase of the new burial place by Friends of New Bedford in 1853, the number deposited in it is 191 not including the removals from the old burial ground, several hundred in number, of those bodies which could not be identified, and which were carefully interred at the West end of the new ground -

Upon inquiry respecting the burial ground belonging to Friends of Nantucket we learn that it is pretty carefully kept in order, although not wholly under their control, as the separate body claim and occupy a portion of it - Ten interments in this ground are reported during the year 1868 -

On behalf of the Committee
New Bedford 10 mo 22d 1868 } Henry T. Wood
Richard Davis

Laban P. Crocker having requested a Removal Certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting, we appoint Gideon Wood & Edward G. Dillingham to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting

We unite with the Women's Meeting in approving a Removal Certificate to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Priscilla Gifford -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

11 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11 mo 26. 1868

Representatives to attend this meeting from New Bedford are Edmund Gardner, Rufus Shearman - Longplain Jos. R. Wing & Ed. G. Dillingham, who are present -

Joseph H. Pratt Our beloved friend Joseph H. Pratt attended our Meeting at this time and presented a Certificate from Dover Mo. Meeting expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present Religious engagements - his company & Gospel services have been Acceptable to us -

Martha E. Pratt Our beloved friend Martha E. Pratt also attended this Meeting and presented a minute from Dover Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her as an Elder and with her proposition to accompany her husband on

11 mo 1868 the Accomplishment of his Concern - her Company has been Acceptable to us - and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a Copy of this minute as it relates to each respectively -

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2d and 10th a Summary of which was approved & directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting - We appoint Jos. Grinnell, Edward W. Howland, Edmund Gardner and Richard Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

Laban P. Crocker The friend appointed last month to inform Laban P. Crocker of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case, reports he has informed him -

A Removal certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting on behalf of Laban P. Crocker is approved with the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting -

attest M. Howland, clerk

12 mo 1868 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12 mo. 24th 1868.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting from New Bedford are Seth K. Akin, Chas. Taber Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr & Corn. Macomber who are present except one -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report they all attended -

Com. to settle Treas Accounts We appoint Jos. Grinnell, Richard Davis, Samuel Rodman, and Gideon Wood to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account, propose a sum to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year and the name of a friend for Treasurer - Also to audit the several Trust funds under the care of this Meeting -

Mary A. Ryder We unite with the Women's meeting in retaining Mary A. Ryder late Tripp a member of our Religious society - she having deviated in Marriage -

Rufus Shearman, Caleb Slade, Seth K. Akin and John Wood are appointed a Committee to distribute among our Members 170 copies of Memorials of deceased friends, printed by order of the Yearly Meeting -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk

1 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1 mo. 28th 1869.
Representatives to attend this meeting from New
Bedford are Rufus Shearman, James Harper Long-
plain Lilburn Hiller and Richd Davis who are present

Thomas B. Our beloved friend Thomas B. Nichols attended
Nichols our Meeting at this time and presented a minute
from Vassalboro Mo. Meeting expressing unity with
him as a Minister and with his present religious
engagements—his Company and Gospel Labors have
been Acceptable to us—

Rachel Our beloved friend Rachel B. Nichols also attended
B. Nichols this meeting and presented a Minute from Vassalboro
Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her as an Elder
and with her prospect of Accompanying her husband
on his proposed religious visit—her company has been
Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish
these friends with a Copy of this minute as it relates
to each respectively—

The Committee appointed last month to examine
Report of and settle the Treasurer's Account and for other services
Com. to made the following Report—which being read and
settle Treas Considered was Acceptable and Henry T. Wood is
Accounts reappointed Treasurer of this Meeting the ensuing year
or until another appointment—Joseph R. Wing, Ezra Kelley
and Albert Wood are appointed a Committee to receive
the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $1250—
the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting
the ensuing year and present the Treasurer's receipt
when Accomplished—

We appoint William C. Taber Henry T. Wood, Edw.
W. Howland & Geo. Howland Jr to have the care and
distribution for the ensuing year, of the income arising
from Charitable Fund of our late dear friend A. Shearman Jr.

We appoint Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richard
Davis, Edw G. Dillingham and Chs. R. Tucker to have the
care & distribution for the ensuing year, of the income arising
from the Educational Fund left by the above named friend—

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting
Appointt were appointed having expired, we are united in the
Overseers reappointment of Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood,
Seth K. Akin, John Wood, Edw G. Dillingham Jos. R. Wing
and Matthew Barney as Overseers for the year ensuing and
until another appointment—

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends:"
The Committee appointed to audit the Account of the

10 mo 1869

Report of Committee to examine Trust funds

Treasurer of this Meeting and the Accounts of those having charge of the several Trust funds under the care of this Meeting Report - That we have examined the Account of the Treasurer of this Meeting and find a Balance in his hands of $40 19/100 - and that he holds the following Certificate of Stock belonging to this Meeting viz - 21 shs. of the Nat. Bank of Commerce in the name of the Overseers and one U.S. 5-20 Coupon Bond for $500 - We recommend that $1250 be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and Henry T. Wood for Treasurer -

We have also examined the Account of the Overseers of this Meeting Trustees of the Abner Pease fund & find a Balance of income in their hands of $279 89/100 - The income from this fund the past year was $4162 60/100 the Amo. paid over to the Treas. of Longplain Preparative Meetg was $4115 44 This fund consists of 55 shs. Natl. Bank of Commerce - 50 shs. Merchants Nat. Bank - 80 shs. Fairhaven Nat. Bank - 31 shs. Mechanic's Nat. Bk - 40 do. First Nat. Bank - 10 shs. Boston & Providence R Road - 3 shs. Gosnold Mills - The Certificates of the above are in the hands of Matthew Howland One of the Overseers - Also 5 U.S. Coupon Bonds $1000 ea. payable in 1881 - 4 U.S. 5-20 Bonds for $1000 each and 2 ditto for $500 ea. and One Massachusetts Coupon bond for $500 - All the notes held by the Overseers, belonging to this fund have been paid and invested as above -

Have also examined the Longplain Preparative Meeting Treasurer's Acc. of the disbursement of the income from Abner Pease fund and find that he has recd the past year Income to the Amo. of $4115 44 and disbursed $4313.01 leaving a Balance in his hands of $64 10/100 -

We have also examined the Acc. of the Com. having charge of the Charitable Fund of the late A Shearman Jr and find that they have paid $151 in Accordance with the Will of the donor amongst 29 persons leaving a balance in their hands of $17 52/100 - This fund consists of 15 shs. of the Merchts Nat. Bank stock held by the Treasurer of this Meeting in the name of the Overseers -

Have also examined the Acc. of the Com. having charge of the Educational fund of the late A Shearman Jr. and find they have paid the tuition of one pupil at Providence Boardg School One year, and One do. for One term and have a balance in their hands of 35 23/100 Dollars - This fund consists of 12 shs. of the Merchts Nat. Bank Stock in the name of the Overseers and the Certifc in the hands of H. T. Wood Treas of this Meeting -

We have also examined the Acc. of the Trustees of the Estate of John West and find that the income from said estate the past year Amounted to 645 40/100 dollars, that they have paid $490 in 90 donations, besides a tax of $87 21 and a balance remains in their hands of $201 06 This fund remains as last year viz - 20 shs. of First Nat. Bank stock and 30 shs. of Merchants Nat.

2 mo 1869 Ditto in the name of the Trustees of J West's Estate and one U. S. 5-20 Coupon bond for $1000 – All in the hands of Chs. R. Tucker one of the Trustees –

We find all the aforesaid Accounts properly vouched and apparently correct –

for the Committee
New Bedford
1 mo. 28th 1869.
Gideon Wood
Richard Davis

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2 mo. 25th 1869.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting from New Bedford are Albert Wood, Abrm. Barker, Longplain – Joseph Kempton and John Wood who are present –

The Committee appointed last Month to receive the Contributions of Friends, presented the Treasurer's receipts for $1250 the Amount proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year –

Wm T. Almy — A Removal Certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of William T. Almy was read at this time and accepted, with the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting and Rufus Shearman is named to inform him hereof –

The Committee appointed in 12th mo. last to distribute among our members "Memorials of deceased friends" Report they have attended to the duty assigned them –

Joseph & Rebecca Grinnell — Our beloved friend Joseph Grinnell informed this Meeting that he expected in company with his wife Rebecca C. Grinnell to visit Europe, leaving the last of next Month, and requested our Certificate of their Membership – The Clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the Women's Meeting in preparing a Certificate and present it to our next Monthly Meeting

Committee on Elders — Being informed by the Women's Meeting that a Concern had been expressed with them that some addition should be made to the Meeting for Ministers and Elders – After deliberation we unite with them in this Concern and appoint Geo. Howland Jr, Edw G. Dillingham Charles R. Tucker, William C. Taber & Joseph Grinnell to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends for the consideration of this subject and report at a future Meeting –

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

3 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3 mo. 25th 1869.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are: from New Bedford Joseph Taber, James T. Almy – Longplain, Jonathan Cowen & Jos. R. Wing who are present –

Jesse T. Hartley

Our beloved friend Jesse T. Hartley attended this Meeting and presented a Minute from Gilead Mo. Meeting endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting Ohio expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagements – his Company and Gospel Labors have been Acceptable to us –

Pleasant Coppuck

Our esteemed friend Pleasant Coppuck also attended this Meeting as companion to our friend Jesse T. Hartley and presented a minute from Damascus Monthly Meeting, Ohio, expressing unity with him and with his present engagement – his Company & solid deportment have been Acceptable to us – And the clerk is directed to furnish these friends with copies of the above Minutes as they relate to each –

The Queries with Answers from our Preparative Meetings were read, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting – We appoint Elnathan E. Delano, Edward G. Dillingham, Geo. Howland Jr, Rufus Shearman and Robert Earle to attend that Meeting as our Representatives

Cyrenius Kelley

A request from Cyrenius Kelley to become a member of our Religious Society, received through N Bedford Preparative Meeting, is referred to a Committee Consisting of Seth H. Akin and Rufus Shearman who are to report their judgement in the Case at a future Meeting –

Jos Grinnell & Wife

A Certificate on behalf of our friend Joseph Grinnell & Wife was presented and read at this time and being approved by this Meeting, the Clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf – having had the concurrence of Womens Meetg

The friend appointed last month to inform William T. Almy of our Acceptance of his certificate reports he has informed him –

Clothier Gifford

A Communication from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting was read informing us of their intention of receiving Clothier Gifford into Membership, provided it Meets our approval We hereby give our Consent, he having been disowned by this Meeting some years since, and the clerk is directed to inform said Mo. Meeting of this Conclusion –

Report of Com. on Elders

The Committee appointed last Month upon the subject of Elders, report that they have given attention to the Subject of their appointment and are united in

3 mo 1869 proposing the names of Matthew Howland and Seth K. Akin as Elders of this Meeting, which being seperately Considered, were united with and having the Concurrence of the Women, the above named friends are appointed to that Station and the Clerk is directed to forward this information to the Quarterly Meeting for its approval –

Dorcas F. Tucker Susan Taber We also unite with the Women's Meeting in the appointment of Dorcas F Tucker and Susan Taber to the same Station –

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.
If I am Worthy I should like to become a member of your Meeting
Cyrenius Kelley
New Bedford 3 mo. 18th 1869.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk

4 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4 mo 22 1869
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford, Albert Wood James M. Tripp Longplain Richard Davis & Josiah Holmes Jr who are present

The Friends named at our last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives report that they all attended

Cyrenius Kelley The Committee appointed last month in the Case of the request of Cyrenius Kelley to become a member of our religious Society made the annexed report which is accepted by us; and he having been previously a member of Sandwich Mo. Meeting and disowned by them, the Clerk of this meeting is requested to ask the Consent of Sandwich Monthly Meeting to our receiving him a Member with us.

William M. Barney William M. Barney requests a certificate on act of marriage to Salem Mo. Meeting. [illegible] Tucker & [illegible] are appointed to take the requisite care in the case & report to our next Mo. Meeting

Sandwich Mo. Meeting acknowledges the receipt and acceptance of a [illegible] certificate from this meeting on behalf of Laban P. Crocker

4 mo 1869 The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this meeting were appointed having expired we reappoint Edmund

Appoint^t Overseers of Poor

Gardner Geo. Howland Jr. Seth K. Akin Rufus Shearman John Wood Richard Davis E. E. Delano Edw.d E. [illegible] Matthew Howland and Matthew Barney (the latter appointed agent to disburse the funds which belong to Nantucket meeting) as Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing or until another appointment

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Cyrenius Kelley on account of his request to become a member of our Religious Society. Our interview with him was a very pleasant and satisfactory one. and we believe he is sincere in his request and it is our judgement that it may be safe to receive him into membership with us: which we submit to the judgement of the meeting

Signed. Rufus Shearman
New Bedford 4/22 1869. Seth K. Akin

attest. Charles Taber Clerk [illegible]

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5 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5 mo. 27. 1869. Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting from New Bedford are Geo. Howland Jr + Seth K. Akin - Longplain - Jos. Kempton, Elnathan E. Delano who are present -

Appoint^t clerks

The time for which the clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired, the Representatives propose the reappointment of Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk which being united with, they are accordingly appointed to those stations for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

The Committee appointed last Month to prepare a Certificate on Acc of Marriage to Salem Mo. Meeting on behalf of William M. Barney presented the same, which is approved by this Meeting and directed to be signed by the clerk and forwarded to that Meeting -

Cyrenius Kelley

The following Communication being received from Sandwich Mo. Meeting - we are united in receiving

5 mo 1869 Cyrenus Kelley into membership with us & Seth K. Akin is appointed to inform him of the conclusion of this Meeting -

Mehitable Gifford We unite with the Women's Meeting in the Acceptance of a Removal Certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf Mehitable Gifford, Wife Peleg P. Gifford

Louisa Gerrish We also concur with the Women in retaining Louisa Gerrish late Cowen as a member of our Religious Society, she having deviated from the Order of our Discipline in marriage -

"To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.
We have received a communication from your Meeting desiring our Consent in restoring Cyrenus Kelley to membership -

We are united in leaving it to your judgement
Extracted from the Minutes of Sandwich Mo. Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth 5 mo 7th 1869.

Arnold Gifford }
Hulda Gifford } Clerks

attest Matthew Howland, Clerk

6 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6 mo. 24th 1869.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Abm. Barker, James M. Tripp - Longplain Richard Davis and Jonathan Cowen who are present except one -

visit of Louis Bedell Our beloved friend Louis Bedell attended this meeting and presented a minute from Oswego Mo. Meeting endorsed by Nine Partners Quarterly Meeting, State of New York expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements - his company and Gospel services have been Acceptable to us -

Visit, Martha Watkins Our beloved friend Martha Watkins attended this Meeting with a satisfactory minute from Goshen Mo. Meeting endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting Ohio, expressing unity with her as a minister and with her present religious engagements - her Company and Religious labors have been Acceptable to us -

Our beloved friend Jane F. Brown attended this Meeting as Companion to our friend Martha Watkins and presented a minute from Greenwich Mo. Meeting, Ohio expressing unity with her in her present engagement - her Company has been Acceptable to us - And the clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with a Copy of the foregoing Minutes as they relate to each respectively.

6 mo 1869 - The Queries with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd, & 10th were read and a Summary approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint our friends Ezra Kelley Gideon Wood, Josiah Holmes Jr and Jos. R. Wing to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

We would ask the Quarterly Meeting to take into Consideration the Subject of holding that Meeting in the 7th mo. at some other place more easily Accessible -

C Kelley — The friend named last Month to inform Cyrenius Kelley of the conclusion of this meeting in regard to his request, reports he has informed him

Lydia H. Ricketson — We unite with the Women in granting a Removal Certificate to Swansey Mo. Meeting on behalf of Lydia H. Ricketson, Wife of Benjamin Ricketson -

We have received 200 copies of the London General Epistle for 1868 and appoint Rufus Shearman, Henry T. Wood, Elnathan E. Delano, Richard Davis, Lilburn Hiller and John K. Davis Jr to distribute them among our members and others who are in the practice of attending our Meetings -

Attest Matthew Howland Clerk.

7 mo 1869 — At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7th mo. 22d 1869.

Representatives to attend this Meeting from New Bedford are Albert Wood, Nathan Bowerman - Longplain Wm P. Howland & Edw G. Dillingham who are present -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended with one exception for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned -

Q'y Meeting Stock — We are informed by the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of Stock for that Meeting is $1258, which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when he has the necessary funds -

The following Communication received from William E. Hodg and Mary H. Kempton, through the Women's Meeting, informing us of their intention of Marriage, was read in this Meeting and they are requested to wait until next month for an answer

To the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford

With Divine permission and Friends approbation we intend marriage with each other –

Longplain
7mo. 22d 1869

William E. Hoag
Mary H. Kempton

We have received 310 Copies of Pamphlets on the subject of Peace addressed "To the Professors of the Christian Religion" and 230 Copies addressed "To the members of our Religious Society" and appoint Henry T. Wood, Wm C. Taber, Samuel Rodman, Wm P. Howland, Ezra Kelley, Edw G. Dillingham & Cornelius Macomber to distribute them among those to whom they are addressed respectively –

We have also received 175 copies of Printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and the Com. appointed last month are requested to distribute them among our Members –

attest Matthew Howland, clerk

8 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8 mo. 26th 1869.

Representatives to attend this meeting from New Bedford are Joseph Taber, Abraham Barker – Longplain Richard Davis and Seth S. Swift who are present –

visit Carline E. Talbot Our beloved friend Carline E. Talbot attended this Meeting and presented testimonials from Short Creek Mo. Meeting held at Mount Pleasant, Ohio endorsed by Short Creek Quarterly Meeting expressing unity with her as a Minister and with her present religious engagements – her Company and Gospel labors have been truly acceptable and edifying to us –

Elizabeth F. Hobson Our beloved friend Elizabeth F. Hobson attended this Meeting as Companion to our dear friend Caroline E. Talbot and presented a Certificate from Smithfield Mo. Meeting, Ohio expressing unity with her as a member of our Religious Society and with her present engagement – her company has been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish these friends with copies of the above minutes as they relate to each respectively –

Rochester Meeting The present condition of Rochester Meeting and of the very small number of our Members in attendance thereof, claiming our consideration at this time – We appoint Elnathan E. Delano, Charles R. Tucker, Rufus Shearman, Edward G. Dillingham, Joseph R. Wing, Geo. Howland Jr and Ezra Kelley to visit & confer with friends of that Meeting relative to their condition

8 mo 1869 and report their judgement at a future Meeting -
William E. Hoag & Mary H. Kempton
Wm E. Hoag having presented to our last Monthly Meeting a
and written declaration of their intention of taking each
Mary H. other in marriage and they appearing clear to proceed
Kempton herein and having consent of Parents, they are allowed
intention to Accomplish their marriage According to the order
of marriage of our society - And at the request of the parties a
meeting is appointed to be held at the house of our
friend Jos. Kempton's, Longplain on 6th day 9 mo.
10th at 12 O clock M. for the Accomplishment of said
marriage and we appoint Edw G. Dillingham and
Henry T. Wood to attend the Marriage, present the
Certificate to our Recorder and report at a future Meeting.

Certificate We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving
M. M. Underhill a Removal Certificate from New York Mo. Meeting on
& daughter behalf of Mary M. Underhill & her daughter Anna
Anna E. Elizabeth Underhill -

The Committee appointed in the 6th mo. last for
the distribution of the London Gen. Epistle report
they have attended to that duty -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

9 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9 mo. 23d 1869.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting
are from New Bedford Jos. Grinnell, Henry T. Wood - Longplain
Cornelius Macomber & Arnold G. Tripp who are
present except one -

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers
from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2d and 10th
a summary of which was approved and directed to
be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting -
and we appoint Geo. Howland Jr, Wm P. Howland
Ezra Kelley and Jos. R. Wing to attend as our Representatives

Our beloved friend Sarah K. Reynolds
Sarah K. attended this Meeting and presented a minute from
Reynolds Providence Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her as a
Certificate Minister and with her present Religious engagement.
her Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us.
and the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a Copy
of this minute -

Joshua L. The following request being received from Joshua
Macomber L. Macomber, through Longplain Preparative Meeting
Request - to become a Member of our Religious Society, we appoint
Rufus Shearman & Elnathan E. Delano to visit him on

9 mo 1869 this Account and report at a future Meeting -

Edwd H. Winslow Certificate

A Removal Certificate from Westport Mo. Meeting on behalf of Edward H. Winslow is Accepted - the Women's Meeting Concurring herein

Report Com. on Education

The joint Committee appointed by this Meeting upon the subject of Education and First-day Schools made the following Report, which being read was Accepted - it was very interesting and satisfactory to us and we appoint Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin, Richard Davis E. E. Delano, Josiah Holmes Jr, Rufus Shearman Edward G. Dillingham, John Wood Jr and Lilburn Hiller as a Committee upon this subject for the ensuing year, to unite with a similar Com. of Women friends and they are encouraged to use every right effort in the promotion of Religious education among our Youth and others who may be Connected with us in our First-day Schools

Release Alice D. Shearman

We unite with the Women's Meeting in granting the request of Alice D. Shearman to be released from Membership with us - she having joined herself to another Religious society -

Rebecca A. Winslow Certificate

We concur with the Women's Meeting in Accepting a Removal certificate from Westport Mo. Meeting on behalf of Rebecca A. Winslow

Priscilla Hiller

And also concur with them in granting the request of Priscilla Hiller to become a member of our Religious society -

Our beloved friends Jos. Grinnell & Wife returned to this Meeting a certificate of Membership granted them in 3d mo. last, the object for which it was requested having been Accomplished -

Report Com. to attend Marriage Wm E. Hoag

The Committee appointed last Mo. to attend the Marriage of William E. Hoag & Mary H. Kempton Report they attended - that it was properly conducted and the Certificate had been recorded -

To the Monthly Meeting;

The joint Committee appointed "to encourage and promote Religious education among our Youth and also among others, who may be connected with us in our First-day Schools" Report some attention to this important subject within the limits of each of our Particular Meetings - very little can be reported in connection with education in Select schools, except that thirteen of our children have during a part or the whole of the year enjoyed the benefits of the Boarding School at Providence - Four of our Members have been engaged

9 mo 1869 as Teachers in Common schools –

Report
on
Education

Upon the subject of First-day school instruction it appears that while discouragement is apparent in some localities, the general interest continues unabated. At Longplain a small school was kept up during most of the year, but has, we regret to inform, been temporarily discontinued – At Acushnet a Bible class of Adults with an average attendance of nine, has been sustained with interest – At Fairhaven a small school of children averaging 14 in number has been continued during the year. Number of teachers four – At Mattapoisett an interesting school has been sustained of about 50 in number including Adults – Soon after the removal of Josiah Holmes & Wife to New Bedford, this school was discontinued, but it was again opened on the 22d of 8th mo. with encouraging prospects.

The school at New Bedford has been Continued with numbers somewhat increasing and 249 are now reported as members with an Average attendance of Adults and children of 174 – Of this number 44 are members of our Society – The labor and self sacrifice needed to support these schools is considerable not only on the part of the teachers engaged, but of other friends interested in the cause – Nor do we believe that the responsibility which attaches to us in connection with scriptural instruction in First-day schools is limited to our own members – In almost every neighborhood of Friends will be found a class of children and young persons more or less closely connected with us and for which this Society is largely Accountable – It is also well known that as society in general is at present Constituted, very little of this kind of instruction is imparted except in the Sabbath school –

With these views of the subject we would encourage all Friends to endeavor to discharge this duty not only to their own families, but to all others, with whom they may be Connected –

This quiet and unobtrusive labor though of a nature that does not often shew immediate results, is sometimes rewarded even here with highly encouraging fruits – A young Woman in very humble life now far gone in Consumption, who has we believe found Christ precious to her soul, was lately visited by one of our teachers when she spoke feelingly of the Comfort she had derived from the remembrance of a verse borne upon a Card which was presented to her in the Sabbath School and which she learned

9mo 1869 there when a child –

In behalf of the Committee
9m. 22d 1869. Edward G. Dillingham
Ruth S. Wood

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

I have for sometime past felt it a duty required of me to be united in membership with the Society of Friends – I hereby make a request to be received as a member of the Society if I should be found worthy to fill the place

Joshua L. Macomber
Mattapoisett 9mo 15th 1869.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

10mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10mo 28th 1869.

Representatives to attend this Meeting from New Bedford are Joseph Faber, Albert Wood – Longplain Edw G. Dillingham & Richard Davis who are present –

The Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended with one exception –

The following Communication received from the
Chas. R. Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting informs
Tucker Jr us that Charles R. Tucker Jr has married out of the
order of our Society with one who is not a member. We appoint Gideon Wood & Jos. Grinnell to visit him on this Account and report at a future Meeting –

The Committee appointed last Mo. to visit Joshua L.
Joshua L. Macomber on Acc. of his request to become a member of our
Macomber Religious Society made the following Report which being con-
sidered was Accepted and he received into membership with us, the Women's Meeting concurring herein and Jonathan Cowen is appointed to give him this information –

Hannah We unite with the Women's Meeting in granting the
Sears request of Hannah Sears to be restored to membership in
our Society –

To the Monthly Meeting –

In Accordance with the Discipline, the Overseers inform that Charles R. Tucker Jr has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member

Matthew Howland
New Bedford Henry T. Wood
10mo 20th 1869 Overseers

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited

10 mo 1869 Joshua L. Macomber on Account of his request to become a member of our Religious society - he appears convinced of the principles of Friends and feels a desire to be united with us, and we believe it may be safe to receive him into membership which we submit to the judgement of the Meeting

New Bedford
10 mo 28th 1869

Rufus Shearman
Elnathan E. Delano.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

11 mo 1869 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11 mo 25th 1869.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting from New Bedford are Samuel Rodman, William G. Wing - Longplain Jos. Kempton & John R. Davis who are present -

Joseph H. Pratts Minute

Our beloved friend Joseph H. Pratt attended this meeting and presented a minute from Dover Monthly Mtg expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagement - his company and Gospel services have been acceptable to us -

Martha Pratts Minute

Our beloved friend Martha Pratt also attended this meeting as companion to her husband Jos. H. Pratt and presented a minute from their Monthly Mtg expressing unity with her as an Elder - her company has not only been acceptable to us, but her concern has been satisfactory - and the clerk is directed to furnish these friends with a copy of the above minutes as they relate to each -

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - and we appoint Gideon Wood, Charles Taber, Jos. R. Wing & Richard Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

Hannah M. Boadle

We unite with the Women's meeting in approving a Removal Certificate to Haddonfield Mo. Meeting, New Jersey on behalf of Hannah M. Boadle -

Committee on Burial Grounds

The Committee appointed to have the Oversight of Funerals and the Care of Burial grounds made the following Report which being read was satisfactory and we appoint the following Friends to this service for the ensuing year or until another appointment viz. Rufus Shearman, Gideon Wood, Matthew Howland, Edw W. Howland, Chas. R. Tucker, Jos. G. Tillinghast, Henry T. Wood, Jos. Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, James M. Tripp, Richard Davis, Jonathan Cowen, Edw G. Dillingham Jos. R. Wing, Wm P. Howland Joshua L. Macomber, Lilburn Hiller and they are encouraged to see that all our

11mo 1869 Burial Grounds are properly enclosed and Report to this meeting next year —

Charles R. Tucker Jr — The Committee appointed last month to visit Charles R. Tucker Jr on Acc. of his deviation in Marriage made the following Report which was Accepted and he is continued a member of our Religious society — the Women's meeting concurring herein and Gideon Wood is appointed to inform him

Joshua L. Macomber — The friend appointed last month to inform Joshua L. Macomber of the Acceptance by this Meeting of his application to become a member, Reports he has informed him

To the Monthly Meeting.

Report — The Committee appointed to have the care and Oversight of Funerals and Burial grounds — Report that some of our number have attended all Funerals that have come to our knowledge, where the care of Friends have been requested — We know of no change in our Burial grounds since our last Report, yet a little more care in the proper enclosure of some of them would be desirable — all of which we submit to the Meeting

On behalf of the Committee
New Bedford 11mo. 25th 1869. Rufus Shearman
Wm P. Howland

Report — The Committee appointed to visit Chs. R. Tucker Jr on Account of his Marriage with a person not a Member of our Society — Report, that they have had an interview with him, in which he expressed a desire to continue a Member — he said that "Friends Meeting is the Meeting of his choice, and that he should continue to attend as heretofore — The interview was satisfactory to us and we recommend that he be continued a member —

New Bedford Jos. Grinnell
11mo 13th 1869. Gideon Wood

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

12mo 1869 — At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12mo. 23d 1869. Representatives appointed to attend this from New Bedford are [illegible] [illegible] and Nathan [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Richard [illegible] were [illegible] [illegible] except one [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Charles Tabor is appointed clerk for the day

12 mo 1869 Our beloved friend, Wm. Henry Chase attended this meeting and presented a minute from Ecifid Monthly Meeting expressing unity with him as a Minister & with his present religious engagement.

William H. Chase's Minute

His company at this time & his labor of love among us are very acceptable to us & the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

The subject of a new Meeting House at Acushnet being brought up by the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Abel C. [illegible] [illegible] & Wm P. Howland, to advise with Long Plain Preparative Meeting or such Comm as they may appoint and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

Meeting house Acushnet

The Overseers of Long Plain Preparative Meeting [illegible] [illegible] T. Wilber [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] one not a member. We appoint Henry T. Wood and Josiah Holmes Jr to visit, or correspond, with him on this account, as way may open, and report at a future meeting.

Benjamin T. Wilber

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The friend named to inform Charles R. Tucker Jr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], report that he has informed him.

Chas. R. Tucker Jr

We appoint Jos. Grinnell, Joseph Raven, [illegible] [illegible] & Chas G. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], propose the sum to be raised for the ensuing year [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] also to audit the Special Trust Funds under the Care of this Meeting.

Committee to settle Treasurer's Account

Those attending our religious Meetings [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have been brought very near to us at this time [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] we may fulfill all our duties [illegible] case. particularly as [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] members of our religious society.
[illegible] Monthly Meeting

Benjamin F. Wilbur has married out of the Order of our Society with one not a member with us. John Wood [illegible]

[illegible]

Longplain 12mo 15th 1869
attest Charles Taber [illegible]

1mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1mo 27th 1870 –

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Benjamin Anthony, Henry T. Wood – Longplain John Wood and Edw G. Dillingham who are present –

William M. Barney requests through N. Bedford Preparative meeting a Removal Certificate to Salem Mo. Meeting – We appoint Chs. R. Tucker and Wm C. Taber to take the necessary care in the case and report at our next Meeting –

James B. Congdon James B. Congdon having requested through New Bedford Preparative Meeting to be received into membership with us – We appoint Matthew Howland & Wm P. Howland to visit him on Account of his request & report at a future Meeting –

Lydia H. Ricketson We unite with the Women in Accepting a Removal Certificate from Swansey Mo. Meeting on behalf of Lydia H. Ricketson –

Auditors Report The Committee appointed last Month to examine and settle the Treasurer's Acc. and for other services, made the following Report – which being read and considered was satisfactory and Henry T. Wood is reappointed Treasurer of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment – Seth K. Akin, Wm P. Howland and Albert Wood are appointed a Committee to receive the subscriptions of Friends to the Amot of $1750 and present the Treas.rs receipt for the same when Accomplished –

William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood, Edw W. Howland Geo. Howland Jr are appointed a Committee to have the care & distribution for the ensuing year of the income arising from the Charitable fund of our late dear friend A Shearman Jr –

We also appoint Jos. Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richard Davis, Edw G. Dillingham and Chs. R. Tucker to have the Care and distribution for the ensuing year, of the income arising from the Educational Fund left by the above friend –

The Committee appointed last Month to confer with Friends of Acushnett in relation to a new Meeting house Report, they have given attention to the subject, but require further time for consideration –

1 mo 1870 The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired we are united in the

Appoint^t Overseers reappointment of Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood Seth K. Akin, John Wood, Edw G. Dillingham, Jos. R. Wing, and Matthew Barney as Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or until another Appointment -

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends New Bedford.

The Committee appointed to examine the Accounts of the Treasurer of this Meeting and the several Trust Funds

Report under its care Report that they have attended to that duty and find the Treasurer's Account correct, and a Balance due him of $\$131\frac{32}{100}$ - they recommend that the sum of $1750 - be raised for Expenses this year and Henry T. Wood for Treasurer -

They also examined the Accounts of the Committee having Care A Shearman Jr Charitable Fund, Receipts including balance of Old A/c $438.15 paid for Tax $\$30^{23}$ for Investing in Two shares of Merchants Nat. Bank stock $200 - distributed to 34 persons $181 - Balance in their hands $\$26^{22}$

They also examined the Acc. of Jonathan Cowens, Treasurer of Long plain Preparative Meeting, showing the receipts & expenditures of the Income from the Abner Pease fund - Receipts including balance of Old A/c $\$7714.^{10}$, Expenditures $\$5871^{58}$ leaving a Balance in his hands of $\$1842^{52}$, the expenditures appear to have been judiciously made & in accordance with the Will of the donor -

They also examined the Accounts of the Trustees to the Estate of John West, and found them correct, the receipts including the Balance of Old Account was $\$973^{77}$ and after paying taxes, they distributed to 125 persons $\$706^{25}$ leaving a Balance in their hands of $\$164^{44}$ dollars -

New Bedford 1 mo 24th 1870 -

Joseph Grinnell
Joseph Taber
Edw G. Dillingham
Jos. R. Wing
Committee

Attest Matthew Howland
Clerk.

2 mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2 mo. 24th 1870.
Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New
Bedford Alex. Hillman, Ezra Kelley - Longplain William
P. Howland & Richard Davis who are present -
The following request from Isaac L. and Charlotte
Isaac L. Cowen, ~~received through Longplain Preparative Meeting~~
Charlotte for themselves and 3 minor children Edward F. A.,
Cowen Isabella L. and Lizzie E. Cowen to become members
of our Religious Society - We appoint Edw. G. Dillingham
and Charles R. Tucker to unite with a similar
Committee of Women friends and visit them on Acc.
of their request and report at a future meeting -
Our beloved friend Huldah M. Beede attended
Huldah M. this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Providence
Beede's Mo. Meeting endorsed by Rhode Island Q'y Meeting
Minute expressing unity with her as a minister and with her
present religious engagements - her company & Gospel
labors have been acceptable to us - and the Clerk
is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute -
The Committee appointed in the 12th mo. last
Report to examine the Treasurer's Acc. and for other purposes
made the following additional Report which being
read was acceptable and satisfactory -
The Treasurer's receipt for $1750 - the sum proposed
to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year was
presented by the Committee appointed to receive the Contributions of Friends for this purpose -
The Committee appointed to advise with
Com. on Longplain Preparative Meeting relative to building a
Acushnet Meeting-house at Acushnett made the following Report -
M House which being read was satisfactory and approved by this
meeting -
The Committee appointed to visit Jas. B. Congdon
James B. on Acc. of his request, made the following Report - which
Congdon being considered was united with and he is admitted
into membership with us, the Women's Meeting concurring
and Matthew Howland is appointed to inform him hereof -
A Removal certificate to Salem Mo. Meeting
William M. on behalf of William M. Barney was presented and
Barney approved, having the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.
We the Undersigned, Request for ourselves and our minor children
Edward F. A., Isabella L. and Lizzie E. Cowen to become members
of your Religious society if found worthy - Isaac L. Cowen
Mattapoisett Feb. 15th 1870 - Charlotte Cowen

2 m. 1870 To the Monthly Meeting of Friends New Bedford.

Report of Auditors

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Account and the Accounts of the Trustees of Funds under the care of this Meeting – Report, that they have attended to that duty, and in addition to their former Report have examined the Accounts of the Committee having care Abm. Shearman Educational fund and find it correct and a Balance in the hands of the Committee of Fifty four 40/100 Dollars – they have also examined the Account of the Overseers of this Meeting, holding the Abner Pease Fund, and found their Account correct and properly vouched, and a Balance in their hands of $23.61 – also that they have paid to the Treasurer of the Longplain Preparative Meeting from the Income of said Fund $7650 – and invested in Ten shares of Merchants Nat. Bank $1300 – and that they, the Overseers, now hold the following stocks & Bonds as Trustees of said Abner Pease Fund – viz –

55 shs. Nat. Bank of Commerce of New Bedford –
60 " Merchants National Bank Ditto
31 " Mechanic's Ditto Ditto
40 " First National Bank Ditto
80 " National Bank of Fairhaven
10 " Boston & Providence Railroad Stock
3 " Gosnold Mills
One Bond of the State of Massachusetts $500 –
5 Bonds of the United States, each of $1000 payable in 1881
5 Do Do Do Do 5/20

On behalf the Committee
Joseph Grinnell
New Bedford 2mo. 23d 1870. Joseph Taber

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee to confer with the friends of Longplain Preparative Meeting, upon their proposition to build a Meeting house at Acushnett, have given attention to the Subject – and concluded to recommend the approval of their proposition to build whenever they have means at liberty from other uses –

2mo. 24th 1870 Wm C. Taber, Wm P. Howland
Rufus Shearman, Com.

To the Monthly Meeting

In Accordance with our appointment we have visited Jas. B. Congdon on Acc. of his request to become a member of our Religious Meeting – Our interview with him was one of much interest and satisfaction – We believe him to be convinced of the principles of Christianity as professed by us and cordially recommend his being admitted into membership - which we submit to the Monthly Meeting

Matthew Howland
New Bedford 2mo 21st 1870 — Wm P. Howland

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

3mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3mo 24th 1870.
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr, David S. Wood - Longplain Jno. K. Davis Jr, Jos. K. Wing who are present -

The Queries with Answers thereto from our Preparative Meetings have been read and a Summary approved which are directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint Gideon Wood, Rufus Shearman, Edwd G. Dillingham & Elnathan E. Delano to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

John F. Tucker The following Communication was received from the Overseers, through New Bedford Preparative Meeting informing us that John F. Tucker has married out of the Order of our Society with one who is not a member - We appoint Albert Wood and Chs. Taber to visit him on this Account and report at a future meeting -

Mary W. Hoag We concur with the Women's Meeting in approving a Removal Certificate to New York Mo. Meeting on behalf of Mary W. Hoag wife of William E. Hoag -

The friend appointed last month to inform James B. Congdon of the conclusion of this Meeting in reference to his request reports he has informed him -

A small strip of Land containing about 35 Rods adjoining our Burial Ground in New Bedford has been purchased and paid for by N Bedford Preparative Meeting -

We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting
The Overseers inform that John F. Tucker has married out of the Order of our Society with one who is not a member -

Matthew Howland
New Bedford, Henry T. Wood
3mo 15th 1870 — Seth K. Akin Overseers

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

4 mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4 mo. 25th 1870.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford - Jos. Grinnell, Edward Winslow - Longplain John Wood & Abram Gifford who are present except one whose absence is caused by ill health -

William D. Eldridge

William D. Eldridge having made the following request, through Longplain Preparative Meeting to become a member of our Religious Society - We appoint Wm P. Howland and Elnathan E. Delano to visit him on this Account and report at a future meeting -

John F. Tucker

The Committee appointed last month to visit John F. Tucker on Acc. of his deviation in marriage made the following Report - which is Accepted and he continued a Member of our Society the Women's Meeting concurring herein and Charles Taber is named to inform him of this conclusion -

Mary Randall

We unite with the Womens Meeting in receiving into Membership with us Mary Randall Wife of David Randall -

Richd S. Howland

Information received from the Overseers through N Bedford Preparative Meeting inform us that Richard S. Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a Member - We appoint Ezra Kelley & Joseph Taber to visit him on this Acc. and report at a future Meeting -

Phebe H. Mendall

We unite with the Women's Meeting in receiving Phebe H. Mendall as a member of our Religious Society -

Appoint Overseers of Poor

The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this meeting were appointed having terminated, we appoint Edmund Gardner Geo. Howland Jr, Seth K. Akin, Rufus Shearman, John Wood, Richd Davis, E. E. Delano, Edw. G. Dillingham, Matthew Howland and Matthew Barney (the latter appointed Agent to disburse the funds which belong to Nantucket Mtg) as Overseers of the Poor for the year or until another appointment -

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends -

I have a considerable length of time felt desirous of being united in membership with the Religious Society of Friends, and feel that it would be right at the present time to make this my request to be received, if Friends deem me worthy -

Wm D. Eldridge
Fairhaven

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends,

We have had an interview with John F. Tucker during which he gave evidence of an Attachment to the Society of Friends and a proper regard for their most important principles and expressed a desire to continue his membership with them - and we would recommend that his Wish should be granted

Charles Faber
New Bedford 4 mo. 26th 1870. Albert Wood

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Overseers inform that Richard S. Howland has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member ——

Henry T. Wood
New Bedford 4 mo. 21st 1870. Seth R. Akin
Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

5 mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5 mo. 26. 1870.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Albert Wood, James Harper - Longplain Richd Davis & Jno. R. Davis Jr who are present -

appointment of clerks The time for which the clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired - Richard Davis on behalf the Representatives proposed the reappointment of Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Faber for Assistant clerk which being united with, they are Accordingly appointed to those stations for the year ensuing, or until another appointment -

Richd S. Howland The Committee appointed last month to visit Richd S. Howland on Acc. of his deviation in marriage made the following Report which being read and Considered was Accepted and with the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting we continue him a member of our Religious society and Joseph Faber is appointed to inform him hereof -

William D. Eldridge The Committee appointed last Mo. to visit Wm D. Eldridge on Acc. of his request to become a member of our Religious Society made the following Report which being read was united with and he admitted into membership with us, the Women's Meeting concurring herein and Wm P. Howland is appointed to inform him of this Conclusion -

John B. Baylies The following communication from John B. Baylies was received through N. B. Preparative Meeting expressing a desire to become a member of our Religious Society. We appoint Rufus Shearman & Josiah Holmes Jr to visit him on this Account and report at a future meeting -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

If not deemed altogether unworthy, I desire to be admitted to membership in the Society of Friends -

New Bedford 5 mo 18. 1870. John B. Baylies.

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends, New Bedford

We your Committee have had an interview with Richd S. Howland on account of his deviation on Marriage - he expressed a decided wish to be continued a member of our Religious Society and we recommend that his request be granted

New Bedford 5 mo. 10th 1870.
Ezra Kelley
Joseph Taber

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed upon the request of Wm D. Eldridge Report that we have had several Oppurtunities with him with good satisfaction and it is our belief, that it would be consistant with the truth to receive him in to membership with us -

Fairhaven 5 mo. 26th 1870.
Elnathan E. Delano
Wm P. Howland

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

6 mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6 mo. 23d 1870.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford James M. Fripp, Henry T. Wood - Longplain Jonathan Cowen and Corn Macomber who are present -

James E. Bailey + David H. Bennetts minutes

Certificates on behalf of our beloved friends James E. Bailey of New Garden Mo. Meeting, endorsed by Salem Quarterly Meeting, Iowa, and David H. Bennett of Butternuts Mo. Mtg endorsed by Butternuts Q'y Meeting, New York were read in this Meeting, expressing unity with them as ministers and with their present Religious engagements - Their company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish these friends with copies of the above Minute as they relate to each respectively -

Caroline E. Talbots Minute

Our beloved friend Caroline E. Talbot attended this meeting and presented a Certificate from Short Creek Mo. Mt'g endorsed by Short Creek Quarterly Mt'g, Ohio expressing unity with her as a minister and with her present religious engagements - her Company and religious labors among us have been Acceptable, and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a Copy of this minute -

Enos H. Niel

Our Esteemed friend Enos H. Niel attended this Meeting as Companion to our friend Jas. E. Bailey & presented a Minute from New Garden Mo. Mt'g Iowa expressing unity with him in his present engagement - his Company has been Acceptable to us -

Hannah G. Sawyer's minute

Our beloved friend Hannah G. Sawyer attended this meeting as Companion to our friend Caroline E. Talbot & presented a Certificate from Dover Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her as a minister and with her present service - her Company and religious services have been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish these friends also, with a Copy of the above Minutes as they relate to each -

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d and 10th a summary of which was approved & directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Henry F. Wood, Rufus Shearman Edw G. Dillingham and Richd Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

John B. Baylies

The Committee appointed last month to visit John B. Baylies on Acct. of his request to become a member of our Religious Society made the following Report which being read & considered was Accepted and having the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we receive him into Membership with us and Josiah Holmes Jr is appointed to inform him -

The friend appointed last month to inform Richd S. Howland of the Conclusion of this Meeting in his case Reports he has informed him -

Charles Taber also reports he has informed John F. Tucker of the decision of this Meeting in his case -

Eliza H. Brookhouse

We concur with the Women's Meeting in retaining Eliza H. Brookhouse (late Howland) a member of our Religious Society, she having deviated in Marriage -

The friend appointed last Month to inform Wm D. Eldridge of the Conclusion of this Meeting in regards to his request reports he has informed him -

To the Monthly Meeting -

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited John B. Baylies on Account of his request to become a member of our Religious Society - Our interview with him was a very pleasant and satisfactory one - he appears to be convinced of the principles held by Friends and feels a desire to be admitted into membership with us - and we as a Committee are united in reporting, that, in our judgement it may be safe to admit him, which we submit to the Meeting

New Bedford 6 mo. 23d 1870.

Rufus Shearman
Josiah Holmes Jr

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

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7 mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7 mo 28. 70

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford James B. Congdon, John B. Bayles - Longplain Richd Davis & Caleb Slade. who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned -

John B. & Mary C. Bayles

The following communication from John B. and Mary C. Bayles was received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting requesting that their minor Children Arthur and John may be admitted into membership with us - We appoint Ezra Kelley and Charles Taber to visit them on this Account and report at a future Meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report they all attended except one for whose non attendance a satisfactory reason was given -

Sarah W. Farr's Minute

Our beloved friend Sarah W. Farr attended this Meeting and presented a certificate from Litchfield Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her as a Minister and with her present Religious engagement - her company and religious labors have been Acceptable to us -

Noah Farr

Our Esteemed friend Noah Farr also attended this Meeting as Companion to his Wife Sarah W. Farr and presented a Certificate from the same Monthly Meeting, expressing unity with him as an Elder and with his present engagement - his Company has been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish these friends with a Copy of the foregoing minutes as they relate to each -

A Communication was received from New York Monthly Meeting Acknowledging the receipt of our Removal Certificate on behalf of Mary K. Hoag -

The friend appointed last month to inform John B. Bayles of the conclusion of this meeting in relation to his request Reports he has informed him -

London General Epistle

We have received 180 copies of the London General Epistle in Primer form, 225 do. in the usual form and 120 copies of Printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and appoint Henry T. Wood, Rufus Shearman, Elnathan E. Delano, Caleb Slade, John R. Davis Jr and Lilburn Keller to distribute the same among our members and those in the habit of attending our meetings -

A recommendation, approved by the Yearly Meeting, desiring Monthly Meetings should prepare Lists of their Members, alphabetically arranged and clearly drawn up and placed in some conspicuous place in their meeting-house was referred to the Overseers of this Meeting for Completion in Accordance with the request -

Isaac L. Cowen & family

The Committee appointed in 2d mo. last to visit Isaac L. & Charlotte Cowen and their 3 minor children Edward F. A. Isabella L. and Lizzie E. Cowen made the following Report - which being read and considered was Accepted and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we receive the Parents and two minor children Isabella L. & Lizzie E. Cowen as members of our Religious society and Edward G. Dillingham is appointed to inform them of this Conclusion - Edward F. A. Cowen having become of Age, since the Report was made in 4th mo. last, the request for him is continued in the hands of the Committee, to report at a future meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting -

The Committee appointed to visit Isaac L. Cowen and family on Account of their request to be admitted into Membership with us, Report that they have had several interviews with them to good satisfaction, and would recommend that their request be granted

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford
4 mo 27th 1870

Charles R. Tucker
Edward G. Dillingham
Susan G. Kempton

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

For our minor children Arthur and John, we request, that they may be admitted to membership in the society of Friends.

New Bedford
7 mo. 1870.

John B. Baylies
Mary C. Baylies

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

8 mo 1870

At New Bedford Monthly Meet'g held 8 mo 25th 1870

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Seth K. Aikin & James M. [illegible] from Long Plain John Wood and [illegible] Cowen [illegible] also present -

The Clerk being absent [illegible] Charles Taber Clerk for the day -

8 mo 1870 (the Joint Committee with the Women's Meeting) [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
the subject of membership in [illegible]
[illegible] Meeting. —)

In conformity with the report we concur with the Womens Meeting ~~with the Women's~~ [illegible] in releasing from membership the following viz.

Lydia Marshall 2d
Ann Barney
Hepzibah C. Barney
[illegible]
[illegible]
Mary Swain
Eliza R. Mitchell
[illegible]
Mary Allen
[illegible]
Mary Folger

And in accepting the resignation, of the following viz.

Lydia S. Spencer
Mary Coleman
[illegible]
Elizabeth H Gardner
[illegible]
Malinda Barney. and

the following named Friends are ~~[illegible]~~ acknowledged as members of our Society viz.

Catherine Austin
Amelia B. Calender

Arthur & John Baylies

The following Report was received from the Committee in the case of Arthur & John minor children of John B. & Mary C. Baylies; and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we receive them into membership with us and Erastus Faber is named to inform them hereof.

E. G. Dillingham appointed at the last meeting to inform Isaac L & Cha[illegible] Owen of their admission into mem[illegible]
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[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

9 mo 1870 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 mo 22d 1870.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford William G. Wing, Alex. Hillman – Longplain Elnathan E. Delano, and Lilburn Hiller who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned –

The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd & 10th a summary of which were approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and we appoint our friends Gideon Wood, Edward G. Dillingham, Rufus Shearman and Joshua L. Macomber to attend that Meeting as our Representatives –

Adeline S. Nye We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving Adeline S. Nye as a member of our Religious society.

Mary R. Wood We also concur with said Meeting in releasing Mary R. Wood late Russell from her right of Membership with us – she believing it her duty to join the Religious society of which her husband is a member –

We are informed by the clerk of the Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of Stock to that Meeting is $15.64 which our Treasurer is directed to pay over to the Treasurer of that Meeting whenever he is in possession of the necessary funds –

List of members The Overseers who were directed last month to prepare a list of our members, to be kept in this house for the convenient Access of Friends, now reported that the list had been written, by which it appears that the Members composing this Monthly Meeting number 384, namely 174 males, and 210 females – These belong to our several Particular Meetings as follows –

To New Bedford —	239
Fairhaven —	56
Longplain	33
Acushnet	21
Mattapoisett	18
Nantucket	17
	384

over

9 mo 1870

Committee on Education

The joint Committee appointed last year to promote and encourage Religious education among our Youth and others who attend our First-day schools made the following Report which being read was very satisfactory & interesting to us and we appoint Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin, Richard Davis, Elnathan E. Delano, Josiah Holmes Jr, Rufus Shearman, Edward G. Dillingham, John Wood Jr, Lilburn Hiller and Joshua L. Macomber a committee upon this subject for the ensuing year, to unite with a similar Committee of Women Friends and they are encouraged to use every effort for the promotion of Education among our Members and others, especially among the Youth and report to this meeting next year.–

The Committee appointed in the 7th mo. to distribute the London General Epistle and printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, report they have attended to the duty–

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee under appointment upon the subject of Education and particularly to promote the cause of First-day schools for Scriptural instruction, present their Annual Report–

Excepting those children which have attended the Boarding School, Providence, but little has been attempted in the way of education in Select schools, yet we believe that the careful religious and literary training of their children is receiving not only the thoughtful attention, but the earnest effort of some parents among us–

During a part or the whole of the year 12 of our children have attended the Boarding school at Providence–

Six of our members have been engaged in teaching during the year. We have endeavored to promote the efficiency of First-day schools within our limits and while we cannot report the concern in all respects as favorably as we could wish, we believe an unabated interest is felt by many for its success–

At Long Plain we regret to report that no regular school has been sustained– A number of Friends however with others meet on First-day when a portion of Scripture is read and texts are repeated and selections of prose and poetry are recited by the young people who appear to be interested in the exercises.–

No school is reported at Acushnet– A Bible class of adults Friends and others numbering ten or twelve has been continued through the year– Its exercises have we believe been interesting and we think the continuance of the class will be a means of advantage to the little company meeting there–

9 mo 1870 The school at Fairhaven has been kept up nearly five months of the past year, with an attendance of 16 scholars, of whom 3 only are members— A field for increased usefulness is apparent here and we desire the encouragement of those upon whom the labor of sustaining this school has devolved—

In Mattapoisett the school has been continued through the year— The number of scholars reported is 55 with an average attendance of 28 and six teachers— Considerable effort is needed to keep up this school, but it has we trust been cheerfully rendered and the interest appears unabated—

The school at New Bedford has also been sustained through the year with an average attendance of 138— The largest number present at any time was 233. Number of teachers 17. A feeling of religious interest and responsibility has we believe actuated many of those engaged in maintaining the school and we doubt not that an influence for good has resulted to many who have enjoyed its benefits.

On behalf of the Committee
9th mo. 21st 1870. Henry T. Wood
Mary C. Baylies.

10 mo 1870 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10 mo. 27th 1870.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford— Geo. Howland Jr, Albert Wood— Long Plain— Jon. Cowen + Richd Davis who are present—

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report they all attended.

The friend appointed to inform John B. and Mary C. Baylies of the conclusion of this meeting as to their request for their Children— reports he has informed them—

William C. Taber & Susan Taber minute

Our beloved friend William C. Taber informed this meeting that in accordance with a desire he had long cherished, he now proposed in company with his Daughter Susan Taber to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting of Friends in North Carolina, with which we cordially unite, and our dear friends are encouraged to attend to the requirements of duty therein, as they may be presented to their minds— they being members and Elders in unity and good esteem with us— and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute—

Attest M. Howland, Clerk.

11 mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11 mo. 24th 1870.
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford John B. Baylies, James B. Congdon - Longplain Jos. K. [illegible] & John R. Davis Jr who are present -

The Queries were read at this time with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - And we appoint our friends Jas. B. Congdon, Elnathan E. Delano, Josiah H. [illegible] and Richard Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

Francis T. Taber The following Communication received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting informs us that Francis T. Taber has married out of the order of our society, with one who is not a member - We appoint Charles R. Tucker and Henry T. Wood to take the necessary care in the Case and report at a future Meeting -

Committee Rochester Meeting The Committee appointed in 8th mo. 1869 to visit Rochester Meeting on account of the very small number of our members in attendance thereof made the following Report, which being read and considered was acceptable & satisfactory and the Committee is now released from further labor on this appointment -

Our beloved friend William C. Taber returned to this Meeting a minute furnished him last month to attend the Yearly Meeting of North Carolina and presented a returning minute from that meeting which is acceptable -

He also informed us that he found a Company of Friends assembled at their Yearly Meeting at New Garden characterized by much plainness and simplicity in outward appearance and manners - They gave evidence of being zealously engaged in the cause of the dear Master and altho' weakness and imperfection were but too apparent among them, the power of the ever blessed truth was in good measure over all and prospered - Which is satisfactory and encouraging to us -

Having received from the Women's Meeting the
Rebecca T. Howland's Request following Request of Rebecca T. Howland for herself and Five minor children to become members of our Religious society, we appoint Matthew Howland and Gideon Wood to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on this occasion and report at a future Meeting

The consideration of a minute adopted by our last Yearly Meeting in reference to those persons who have been in membership with us and lost their right is referred to our next Monthly Meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting

11 mo 1870 The Overseers inform that Frances T. Faber now residing in Missouri, and who has still a right of membership in our Society, has married out of its order with one who is not a member

New Bedford
11 mo 16th 1870.
Matthew Howland
Henry T. Wood
Seth K. Akin

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.
Fairhaven 11 mo. 16th 1870.

Dear Friends,
Feeling a need of association with a religious society and hoping the society to receive strength I wish to submit for your decision an application for membership with the society of Friends for myself and five youngest children
With much love
Rebecca S. Howland.

To the Monthly Meeting
The Committee appointed to visit Rochester Meeting Report
That some of their number have frequently attended that Meeting to good satisfaction. The members and others who worship with them at that House manifest a concern for the meeting to be held in an orderly and consistent manner
The First-day school is well attended and is having a good influence in that neighborhood, and is deserving the encouragement of Friends
On behalf the Committee
Charles R. Tucker
Rufus Shearman
Ezra Kelley
Susan G. Kempton
Edw G. Dillingham
New Bedford
11 mo 15. 1870

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

12 mo 1870 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12 mo 22d 1870.
Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford, Seth K. Akin, Benjamin Anthony - Longplain John Wood and Seth Swift all were present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

Mark Anthony's Minute
Our beloved friend Mark Anthony attended this meeting and presented a minute from Swansey Monthly Meeting expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present Religious engagements - his company and Gospel

12 mo. 1870 labors have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed
to furnish him with a copy of this minute –

The Representatives appointed to attend our
last Quarterly Meeting report they all attended –

The Committee appointed to have the
oversight of Funerals and the Care of Burial grounds
made the following report – which being read was
Committee acceptable and satisfactory to this Meeting and we appoint
on Funerals the following friends to this service for the year ensuing
nominated and then appointment viz Rufus Shearman Charles
R. Tucker, Edmund W. Howland Gideon Wood, Joseph
Taber, George Howland Jr, Joseph S. Tillinghast,
Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, James M. Fripp, Richd.
Davis, Jonathan Cowen, Edwd G. Dillingham, Jos. R. Wing, William
P. Howland, Joshua L. Macomber, and Lilburn Hiller – they
are encouraged to see that all our Burial grounds are properly
enclosed and kept in suitable order and requested to report
next year –

We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving
Rebecca S. as Members of our Religious Society Rebecca S. Wife of
Howland Weston Howland and their five Minor children Thomas H.
Abby S. John S. Rebecca S. and Alice H. Howland –

We also concur with them in granting a
Certificate Removal Certificate to Springfield Mo. Mtg, North Carolina
Hannah P. on behalf of Hannah P. Gifford –
Gifford

The following request from Peleg Slocum to become a
member of our Religious Society was read and considered and we
Peleg appoint Josiah Holmes Wood Henry T. Wood to visit him on
Slocum Account his request and report at a future Meeting –

We concur with the Womens Meeting in furnishing
Certificate a Removal Certificate to Vassalboro Mo. Meeting on behalf
Eunice Ray of Eunice Ray formerly of Nantucket –

We also concur with them in furnishing Susan Knowles
Susan Knowles a Removal certificate to Providence Mo. Meeting –

James D. Weeks having removed to reside within
James D. the limits of New York Mo. Meeting requests our certificate. We appoint
Weeks Henry T. Wood and Richard Davis to take the necessary care in
the case and report at our next Monthly Meeting –

We appoint William C. Taber, Edwd. G. Dillingham
Committee Gideon Wood and Richard Davis a Committee to examine and settle
settle the Treasurer's Account, propose a sum to be raised for the
Treasurer's use of this meeting the ensuing year and the name of a
Accts &c. friend for Treasurer – Also to Audit the several Trust funds
under the care of this Meeting –

The following minute adopted by our last Yearly

12 mo 1870 meeting viz: "The meeting was introduced into an exercise on behalf of those who have been in membership with us, but on various accounts have lost that right, and also for the descendants of such and for other non-members who manifest an attachment to Friends by attending our meetings; — and under a belief that a responsibility rests upon us, and a religious duty is required towards such, Monthly Meetings were encouraged to appoint Committees to visit them in the spirit of gathering & restoring love, and labor with them, in the ability afforded, in order to bring them into the bosom of the church, manifesting the solicitude of Moses towards Hobab, his brother in law, witnessed by the kind invitation, "Come thou with us, and we will do thee good; for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel." being brought before us at this time, the shutters being raised both meetings jointly considered the subject of the appointment of committees to visit in love & affectionate interest those individuals referred to — And after a free expression in which much feeling and sympathy were manifested for this class, it was concluded to appoint our friends William C. Taber, Josiah Holmes Jr, Elnathan E. Delano, Gideon Wood, Benjn Anthony, Edw G. Dillingham, Chas. R. Tucker, Wm G. Wing, Ezra Kelley, Richard Davis, Wm Penn Howland, Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood Joshua L. Macomber and Charles Taber to visit those referred to, within the limits of our Monthly Meeting and report at some future time —

Com. to visit non members

To the Monthly Meeting.

Report Committee on Funerals

The Committee appointed to take the oversight of funerals and the care of Burial grounds report — that some of our number have attended all funerals of our members held during the past year, as well as all those not members held by Friends, where the care of the Committee was requested or appeared proper — The number of our members deceased the past year has been seven, and the number of interments in our grounds 20 — viz. at Longplain three, Acushnet three, Mattapoisett three, and at New Bedford eleven —

The several burial grounds within our limits are now in pretty good order, and decently enclosed, with the exception of the old ground formerly used by Friends of Rochester Meeting, and lying within the limits of the town of Marion — Many years have passed, since any of our members were interred here, and as much the larger proportion of burials have been of those not in membership, it yet might be proper for Friends of Long plain Preparative Meeting to enclose it suitably — For the Committee

Henry T. Wood
Richard Davis.

over

1 mo. 1871 To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends

An apprehension that it is my duty to ask admission into your Society, has for a considerable time rested upon my mind, and being as I trust in a good degree convinced of the truth of the principles professed by the Society. I now make the request to become a member if consistent –

New Bedford 12 mo. 21st 1870. Peleg Slocum

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1 mo. 26th 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Gideon Wood, Robert B. Taber. Longplain Edw. G. Dillingham & Isaac L. Cowen who are present. –

Report of Com. to examine Treasurers Accts &c

The Committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurer's Acct. and for other services made the following report – which being read and considered was acceptable to the Meeting and Henry T. Wood is reappointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or until another appointment –

Committee on Contributions

Gideon Wood, Robert B. Taber, Arnold G. Tripp and Edward G. Dillingham are appointed a Committee to receive the contributions of Friends for Nineteen hundred Dollars the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting, pay the same to our Treasurer and present his receipt for that sum when accomplished. –

Com. on Care and distribution of Charitable fund

William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood, Edw. W. Howland, and Geo. Howland Jr are appointed a Committee to have the care and distribution for the ensuing year of the income arising from the Charitable Fund of our late friend Abm. Shearman Jr. –

Com on Care and distribution of Educational fund.

We also appoint Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richd. Davis, Edw. G. Dillingham and Charles R. Tucker to have the care and distribution of the income arising from the Educational fund left for that purpose by the above named friend –

to visit non members –

The name of Rufus Shearman is added to the list of Friends appointed last Month to visit those in attendance of our Meetings not in membership and others –

Ann R. Anthony Received

We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving as a member of our Religious Society Ann R. Anthony Wife of Caleb Anthony –

Peleg Slocum Received by Request –

The Committee appointed last month to visit Peleg Slocum on account of his request to become a member of our Religious Society made the following Report – which being

1 mo. 1871 read and considered was acceptable and with the concurrance of the Womens meeting we now receive him into membership and Josiah Holmes Jr is appointed to inform him -

The Committee appointed to visit Edward T. A. Cowen
Edmund F. A. Cowen on account of the request made by his parents for him to be received into membership made the following report which being read was satisfactory and he is accordingly received as a member of our Religious society - the Womens meeting concurring herein and Edw. G. Dillingham is named to inform him of this conclusion -

David S. Wood having requested through New
David S. Wood for Marriage Certificate Bedford Preparative Meeting for a Certificate on account of Marriage to the Monthly Meeting for the Northern District of Philadelphia - We appoint William T. Taber and James B. Congdon to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting -

The Committee appointed on Acc. of the request of James D. Weeks for a Removal Certificate are continued and requested to report next month -

The appointment of Overseers of this meeting is postponed to our next Monthly Meeting -

New Bedford 1 mo. 23d 1871.

To the Monthly Meeting,

We have this day examined the account of Henry
Report of Auditing Committee T. Wood Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting and find it correct with a balance in his hands of $17.41 - We would propose that the sum of $1700.00 be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year and the name of Henry T. Wood for Treasurer -

We have also examined the accounts of the Committee having charge of the Educational Fund of A. Shearman Jr. and find it correct with a balance in their hands of $78.60

The schooling of one pupil has been paid from the income of this fund for one year at Friends Boarding school, Providence -

Also the account of the committee having charge of the Charitable Fund of A. Shearman Jr and find it accurately stated and a balance in their hands of thirty seven 29/100 dollars. The Committee have dispensed from the income of this fund the past year $145 to 27 persons -

We also found correct the account of the Trustees of the John West Estate with a balance of income in their hands of Two hundred & two 86/100 dollars - There has been paid from the income of this estate the past year $564.50 to 85 persons -

Also the account of Matthew Howland, Custodian of the funds of the Abner Pease bequest to Longplain

1 mo 1871

Report Com. to examine Treas. Accts

Preparative Meeting and find that the income for the last year, less the amount of taxes, has been paid to the Treasurer of Longplain Preparative Meeting— The income from stocks and bonds in his hands the past year has been $3418.63 also received from the Executor of Abner Pease Est. as income $1200.

We find the certificates of stocks and the bonds in his hands as follows— viz 55 shares Nat. Bank Commerce— 80 do Nat. Bank Fairhaven— 60 do. Merchants Nat. Bank— 31 do. Mechanic's Nat. Do— 40 do. First Nat. Do. 11 do. Boston & Providence R Road— 3 Do Gosnold Mills— 4 U. S. Bonds (1881) $1000 ea. 2 do do (1881) $500 each. 5 do do five twentys $1000 ea. 1 Massachusetts State Bond $500. Amounting in the Aggregate to $40,000—

We have also examined the Account of Jonn Cowen Treasurer of Longplain Preparative Meeting for the distribution of the income of the Abner Pease fund, and find the entries properly made, with vouchers for the several payments, and a balance due the Treasurer of $50.66.

Which is respectfully submitted

Wm C. Faber
Gideon Wood
E G. Dillingham
Richard Davis
committee

To the Monthly Meeting.

Com. in case of P. Slocum

The Committee appointed upon the application of Peleg Slocum to become a member of our Religious Society report, that in our interview with him he expressed a strong attachment to our principles and we are satisfied that he has taken this step from feelings of religious duty—

We recommend that he be received into membership—

New Bedford
1 mo. 21st 1871—

Josiah Holmes Jr
Henry T. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting.

Com. in case of E.F.A. Cowen

We have visited Edward F.A. Cowen son of Isaac L. Cowen since his return from a sea voyage on account of the request made by his Parents for him to be received into membership— He seems very desirous and we believe sincerely so, to be admitted into membership with us—

We are united in judgement for the Monthly Meeting to receive him.

New Bedford
1 mo. 25th 1871.

Charles R. Tucker
Edward G. Dillingham

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

2 mo 1871 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2d mo. 23d 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm G. [illegible], John B. Bowles — Long plain Joseph R. King and Joshua L. Macomber who are present —

The friend named last month to inform Peleg Slocum of the conclusion of this meeting on his request to become a member, reports he has informed him —

Edward G. Dillingham reports he has informed Edward S. A. Cowen of the conclusion of this meeting on a request of him to be received into membership with us —

Request Joseph Tripp — The following request being received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting from Joseph Tripp to become a member of our Religious Society. We appoint Josiah Holmes Jr and Gideon Wood to visit him on this account & report at a future meeting —

The Committee appointed last month to receive the subscriptions of Friends for the use of this meeting presented the Treasurer's receipt for Nineteen hundred Dollars the sum proposed to be raised —

Appointment Overseers — The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we are united in the reappointment of Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin, John Wood, Edw G. Dillingham, Jos. R. King, & Matthew Barney as Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment —

Committee on Memorials — We appoint Charles R. Tucker, Wm C. Taber, William P. Howland, Henry T. Wood and Geo. Howland Jr to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to collect as way may open the living services and dying sayings of Ministers, Elders and other Friends, whose lives have been remarkable for true piety and godliness and present such memorials to this meeting when accomplished —

Appointment Committee on House of Correction. — Our friend James B. Congdon revived at this time a concern recently expressed by some of our members in relation to the claims of the inmates in the House of Correction and jail in this city, in their unhappy and destitute condition — After due consideration it was deemed advisable that a Committee should be appointed by this Meeting, that the subject may be considered and such action taken or recommended as will meet the obligations we are under to this class of our fellow men — In accordance herewith we appoint James B. Congdon, Henry T. Wood, Jos. Grinnell, Geo. Howland Jr, Chs. R. Tucker, Wm C. Taber, Edw W. Howland and Josiah Holmes Jr a Committee for this purpose, to report at a future Meeting —

3 mo. 1871 The Committee appointed on acc of the request of James D. Weeks report they desire further time which is granted -

The Committee appointed last month to prepare
Marriag Cert: for D S Wood - a Certificate on acc of marriage to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting of Friends for the Northern District on behalf of David S. Wood presented one at this time which was approved and the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf -

To the Monthly Meeting

Joseph Tripp of New Bedford is desirous of becoming a member of our Religious Society -

Matthew Howland
Henry T. Wood
Overseers

New Bedford
2 mo 15th 1871

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3 mo 23d 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph T. Tillinghast, Henry T. Wood. Long-plain Jonathan Cowen and John Wood who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned -

The Queries with Answers from our Preparative Meetings have been read and a summary approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint Edward W. Howland, Benjn Anthony, Jonathan Cowen, & Richd Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

Jacob Chase & Eliza Wing Jacob Chase and Eliza Wing by a written declaration received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform us of their intention of taking each other in marriage which was read and due notice taken thereof -

A communication of the Overseers, rec'd through N. Bedford Preparative Meeting, informs us that Charles M. Tripp hath
Chs. M. Tripp married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member - We appoint Charles R. Tucker and Edw W. Howland to visit him on this account and report at a future Meeting -

Another Communication from the Overseers received through
Corn A. Howland Longplain Preparative Meeting, informs us that Cornelius A. Howland had married out of the order of our Society with One who is a member - We appoint Jos. R. Wing and Edw G. Dillingham to visit him on this account and report to a future Meeting -

The Committee appointed last month to visit Joseph
Joseph Tripp Tripp on account of his request to become a member of our Religious Society made the following Report - which was acceptable to this Meeting and we now receive him into membership

3mo. 1871 with us, the Women's Meeting concurring herein & Josiah Holmes Jr is named to inform him

Com to Visit Alms House and House of Correction

The Committee appointed to consider the subject of our duties towards the inmates of the Alms House, House of Correction and Jail in our city made the following Report - which being read and considered was accepted and fully united with, and the same friends viz. James B. Congdon, Henry T. Wood, Jos. Grinnell, Geo. Howland Jr, Chs. R. Tucker, Wm C. Taber, Edw R. Howland and Josiah Holmes Jr are continued in this service, to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, to carry out the concern of the Meeting in this matter and the recommendation of the Committee and report at a future meeting -

James D. Weeks

The Committee appointed in the 12th mo last on the request of James D. Weeks for a Removal Certificate made the following Report - which being read and considered the Committee were continued in the case, to report again at a future Meeting -

Rhoda H. Taber

A testimony concerning our late dear friend Rhoda H. Taber was presented at this time, by the Committee on Memorials read and approved and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting -

The Treasurer informs us that our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting -

Minute from Quarterly Mtg

The following minute has been received from the Quarterly Meeting viz -

"Our Monthly Meetings are requested to furnish us in the 4th mo. next with a list of ministers and Elders belonging to their respective Meetings, and all changes that have occurred by deaths or removals during the year, as per minute from our last Yearly Meeting and they are also requested to furnish this Meeting with a list of their members belonging to each particular Meeting -

From the minutes of Sandwich Qy Meeting held at New Bedford 12mo 1870.

Charles R. Tucker, clerk.

To New Bedford
Monthly Meeting.

In accordance therewith the information called for has been prepared viz -

Members of Monthly Mtg -

Members belonging to the several Particular Meetings.

Longplain	34	New Bedford	243
Acushnet	21	Nantucket	16
Fairhaven	57		259
Mattapoisett	20		132
	132	Total	391

Number admitted by request during the year 21.

over.

Ministers & Elders in Mo Mtg

3 mo. 1871 Ministers 5	Elders viz 17	
Mary Shove	Wm C. Taber	Deborah Wing
Susan Howland	Wm P. Howland	Hannah Tripp
Josiah Holmes Jr	Joseph Tompkins	Sarah R. Anthony
Elnathan E. Delano	Thos. R. Tucker	Betsey T. Wood
Rachel G. Howland	Matthew Howland	Eliza C. Davis
	Seth K. Akin	Anna G. Wood
	Mary Gifford	Dorcas F. Tucker
	Lydia Congdon	Susan Taber
	Matthew Barney	

Turner Gifford an Elder died 12 mo 9th 1870 aged 77 yrs. 7 mos.
No removals of Ministers or Elders with certificate.

Note. This Mo Meeting was established in 1793 when N Bedford Prep. Meeting was set off from Dartmo with 208 members
Longplain Ditto was taken from Sandwich Mo. Meeting and had 173 Do
Total at that time 381

3 mo 22. 1871.

To the Monthly Meeting,
The Overseers inform that Charles M. Tripp has married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member

New Bedford
3 mo 14th 1871

Matthew Howland
Henry T. Wood
Seth K. Akin
Overseers.

To the Monthly Meeting.
The Overseers inform that Cornelius A. Howland has married out of the order of our society with one who is a member

Longplain
3 mo 15th 1871.

John Wood
Joseph R. Wing overseers

To the Monthly Meeting

Com. in case of Jos Tripp Report

The Committee appointed upon the request of Joseph Tripp to become a member of our Society report, that we have visited him on this account. He stated that a number of years since he became convinced of the truth of the principles held by Friends and felt drawn to attend their religious meetings, which had proved a satisfaction to his mind, and he now felt like becoming more fully united with us in christian fellowship. We therefore recommend that he be received a member which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford
3 mo 23d 1871.

Josiah Holmes Jr
Gideon Wood

3 mo 1871 The Committee appointed last month upon the subject of the condition of the inmates of the House of Correction and Jail Report. that they have had a Meeting at which Seven of their number were present — The Committee were assisted in their deliberations by information that had been obtained by individual members, and by the knowledge and experience which nearly all of them to a greater or less degree possessed of the circumstances of those in whose behalf it was proposed to Act — The Committee were unanimous in the result arrived at, that it would be well for the Monthly Meeting to move in this matter, in the direction indicated in the minute of their appointment —

Report of Com on Jail &c Report

The limited time now devoted to moral & religious instruction, the mingling in a common system of confinement, discipline and labor of the youth; the victim of the craving for strong drink, and those sentenced for graver and as we conceive more dangerous and more iniquitous violations of law: the desolate condition of many of these people when discharged, with temptation on every hand, and but little sympathy or assistance from Community — all facts connected with the House of Correction and Jail in this City and probably with all the institutions of a similar character in the State; create a desire to extend relief, and present an opportunity for Christian effort, which it is believed, it is the duty of this Meeting to improve — It is therefore recommended that a committee of this Monthly Meeting be appointed, to act as the way may open in the direction indicated in the original minute and in this report.

On behalf of the Committee
James B. Congdon
Sarah A. Holmes

New Bedford
3 mo 23d 1871.

To the Monthly Meeting,

The Committee appointed in the 12th mo. last upon the request of James D. Weeks for a removal Certificate to New York report — that upon inquiry we find nothing to prevent the issuing of a certificate by this meeting, except a pecuniary claim, made by one individual for an unsettled account, of the correctness of which, we cannot now determine — The claim is not large, but other circumstances are involved, and in justice to the parties, we recommend that no Certificate be forwarded at present, and that the Committee be released.

Com in case of J D Weeks report.

Henry T. Wood
Richard Davis

New Bedford
3 mo 23d 1871.

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

4 mo. 1871 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4 mo 27th 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford David S. Wood, Rufus Greenman; Longplain Richard Davis and Peter Q. Slade who are present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

Frank H. Howland — The following communication received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting informs us that Franklin H. Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. We appoint Jas. B. Congdon and Gideon Wood to confer with him on this Account and report at a future Meeting -

Corn.s A. Howland Reinstated — The Committee appointed last Month to visit Cornelius A. Howland on Account of his deviation in marriage made the following report which being read was acceptable to us and we continue him a Member of our Religious society, the Women's Meeting concurring herein and Joseph R. Wing is appointed to inform him -

Alice H. Howland — We concur with the Women's Meeting in retaining Alice Howland late Wilbur a member of our Religious society, she having deviated in marriage.

Jacob Chase & Eliza Wing — Jacob Chase and Eliza Wing having informed us at our last Monthly Meeting of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to accomplish their marriage According to the order of our Society and we appoint Edw.d G. Dillingham and Henry T. Wood to attend the marriage, present the Certificate for record, and report to our next Monthly Meeting - At the request of the parties a meeting is appointed at the house of Lucy Carlburg's at 3 o clock this Afternoon for the Accomplishment of said Marriage -

Overseers of the Poor — The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired - We are united in the reappointment of Edmund Gardner, George Howland Jr, Seth K. Akin, Rufus Greenman, John Wood, Richard Davis, Elnathan E. Delano, Edw.d G. Dillingham, Matthew Howland and Matthew Barney as Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

E. G. Dillingham Minute — Our esteemed friend Edward G. Dillingham informed this Meeting that he had a prospect of accompanying our friend Wm P. Macomber of Westport Mo. Meeting in the attendance of New York Yearly Meeting - which being considered was fully united with, and he left at liberty to attend to this duty, as way may open for in the Truth - And the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy embracing the substance of this Minute.

4 mo 1871 The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

The friend appointed last month to inform Joseph Tripp of the decision of this meeting in reference to his request reports he has informed him -

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Overseers inform that Franklin H. Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member

He resides at present in Philadelphia.

New Bedford
4 mo 19th 1871.

Matthew Howland
Henry T. Wood
Seth K. Akin

To the Monthly Meeting.

We as your Committee have visited Cornelius A. Howland on account of deviation in marriage with good satisfaction - he is desirous of retaining his right of membership, in which we are united in retaining him -

New Bedford
4 mo 27th 1871.

Edward G. Dillingham
Joseph R. Wing

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

5 mo 1871 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5 mo. 25th 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford John B. Baylies, Gideon Wood - Longplain John R. Davis, and Jos. R. Wing who are present -

appointment of clerks The time for which the clerk and Assistant clerk of this meeting was appointed having expired the Representatives through one of their number proposed the name of Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk, which being united with, they are accordingly appointed to those stations for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

The following communication from the Overseers received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting

Jonathan P. Gifford informs us that Jonathan P. Gifford had married out of the order of our society with one who is not a member - We appoint Seth K. Akin and Joseph Taber to visit him on this acc. and report at a future Meeting -

The friend appointed last month to inform Cornelius A. Howland of the conclusion of this Meeting on his case, reports he has informed him -

6mo 1871 The committee appointed to have the care and
oversight of the Marriage of Jacob Chase and Eliza
Tripp report the marriage was orderly conducted and
the Certificate delivered to the Recorder –

We concur with the Women's Meeting in retaining
H L Bacon Reinstated Harriet L. Bacon late Tripp a member of our Society,
she having deviated in marriage –

We also concur with the Women in
E. Netcher rec'd receiving Elizabeth Netcher as a member of our
Religious Society –

To the Monthly Meeting

The Overseers inform
that Jonathan S. Gifford has married out of the order
of our Society with one who is not a member –

Matthew Howland
New Bedford 5mo 16th 1871 Seth K. Akin

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6mo 22d 1871.
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are
from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr, William G. Wing –
Longplain, Jonathan Cowen and Arnold G. Tripp who are present –

Our beloved friends Jeremiah A. Grinnell of Newberry
Jeremiah Mo. Meeting, Blount Co. Tenn. and Edward C. Young
A. Grinnell of Goshen Mo. Meeting, Logan Co Ohio attended this
+
Edward C. Meeting and presented testimonials from their respective
Young Meetings properly endorsed by their Quarterly Meetings,
expressing unity with them as ministers and with their
present Religious engagements – their Company and
Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us –

Our beloved friends Edith Griffiths of Salem Mo.
Edith Meeting, Ohio, and Sarah Gidley of Adrian Mo. Meeting
Griffith Michigan also attended this Meeting and presented
+
Sarah testimonials from their respective Meetings endorsed
Gidley by their Quarterly Meetings expressing unity with them
as ministers and with their present religious engagements –
their Company and Gospel labors have been truly Acceptable
to us – And the clerk is directed to furnish our dear
friends with Copies of the above minutes as they relate
to each –

Our Esteemed friends Amos Griffiths Companion to
his Wife Edith Griffiths, William Gidley Companion to
his Wife Sarah Gidley, Elizabeth W. Young Companion
to her husband Edward C. Young and Fordyce Grinnell

6 mo 1871 companion to his Father Jeremiah A. Grinnell attended this Meeting and presented certificates from their respective Meetings expressing unity with them (the two first named being Elders) and with their present religious engagements, and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each—

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers to the 1st, 2d & 10th from our respective Preparative Meetings a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting— We appoint Rufus Sherman Jonathan Cowen, John B. Bayliss and Edward G. Dillingham to attend that Meeting as our Representatives—

The Committee appointed in 4th mo. last to visit
Frank H Howland
Franklin H. Howland on account of his deviation in marriage made the following Report which being read and considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting we retain him a member of our Religious Society and James H. Congdon is appointed to inform him hereof—

The Committee appointed last month to visit Jonathan
Jonathan P Gifford
P. Gifford on account his deviation in Marriage made the following report which, after due deliberation was accepted and with concurrence of Women's Meeting he is retained a member of our Religious Society and Seth K. Akin is appointed to inform him—

Our Esteemed friend Edward G. Dillingham
E G Dillingham Returns Minute
returned to this Meeting a certificate granted him in 4th mo. last to attend New York Yearly Meeting as Companion to our friend Wm P. Macomber of Westport— and presented a minute from that Meeting informing us of his acceptable attendance thereof— he expressed that peace of mind had accompanied him in the performance of this duty. all of which is satisfactory to us—

We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving Mary M. Bailey and her daughter Elizabeth Bailey as Members of our Religious Society—

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have
Com in Case of F H Howland Report
had an interview with Franklin H. Howland much to our satisfaction—

He admitted his marriage a departure from the order of our society, but expressed a strong attachment to Friends and their principles, said that our meeting was his meeting, and hoped Friends would be willing still

7 mo 1871 to retain him in membership – which we submit to the Meeting.

James B. Congdon
6 mo 10th 1871. Gideon Wood

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Jonathan P. Gifford on Account of his deviation in Marriage – although aware of his deviation, yet he appeared solicitous to retain his membership – Which we refer to the Monthly Meeting

Seth K. Aiken
New Bedford 6 mo. 21st 1871 – Joseph Taber

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

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At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7 mo. 27th 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford – James M. Fripp, John F. Tucker – Longplain – Abram Gifford & Lilburn Hiller who are present –

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended –

Holder Howland & Almy Howland — The following request of Holder Howland and his Wife Almy Howland to become Members of our Religious Society having been received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting We appoint Charles R. Tucker and James B. Congdon to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on this Account and report at a future Meeting –

The friend appointed last month to inform Jonathan P. Gifford of the conclusion of this Meeting on Account of his deviation in marriage, reports he has informed him –

A Communication received from the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting informs us that our proportion of stock for the use of that Meeting is $1632 — which our Treasurer is requested to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when in possession of the necessary funds –

We have also received at this time and read to much satisfaction a minute of our last Quarterly Meeting in reference to the appointment of a joint Committee to visit our Subordinate Meetings and individuals in the

Com to visit Subordinate Mtgs — love of Christ, and to labor as ability may be afforded, for the advancement of the Cause of Truth amongst us – In Accordance with the recommendation of said minute we appoint Joshua L. Macomber, Chas. Taber, James B. Congdon, Wm G. King, Richard Davis, and Rufus Freeman

7 mo 1871 to labor in unison with said Committee in the promotion of this concern—

The following minute having been received from the clerk of our last Yearly Meeting viz

"At the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in 6th mo. 1871 the subject of building a Meeting-house in Kansas being brought before us, deep sympathy was expressed with the dear Friends about to be seperated to form a new Yearly Meeting in that State, and friends of our several Monthly Meetings are encouraged to make liberal Collections for the purpose of aiding them and to forward the amount to the Treasurer of this Meeting, which he is directed to forward to Washington Hadley, Lawrence Kansas. A copy of this minute is to be forwarded to each of our Monthly Meetings.

Extracted from the Minutes

Charles R. Tucker, clerk.

Mtg House for Kansas which Subject claiming our consideration and in accordance with the recommendation contained in the minute we appoint Rufus Shearman, Henry T. Wood, Peter D. Slade, Jonathan Cowen, Edw G. Dillingham, and John B. Baylies to receive the subscriptions of Friends for this purpose and report at a future Meeting

We have received at this time 180 copies of

Y. Mtg minutes the Printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and appoint Jonathan Cowen, Lilburn Hiller, Rufus Shearman, Peter D. Slade, Henry T. Wood, Edw G. Dillingham & Wm G. Wing a Committee to distribute the same among our members—

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Having long attended your meeting of Worship, and feeling interested in the principles of the Society, we now as Husband & Wife request to become members, if we are found worthy to be accepted—

Holder Howland

Almy S. Howland

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

8mo 1871 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8 mo 24th 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford George Howland Jr, Jos. Taber- Longplain Thomas Wood + Jonathan Cowen who are present-

Lydia H Wood's Certificate

We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving a Removal Certificate from Philadelphia Mo. Meeting for Northern District on behalf Lydia H. Wood Wife of David S. Wood.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

9mo 1871 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9 mo 28th 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford John B. Baylies, William G. Wing- Longplain Jonathan Cowen + Seth S. Swift who are present-

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d + 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting- And we appoint our friends Gideon Wood, Rufus Shearman, Joseph R. Wing and Seth S. Swift to attend that Meeting as our Representatives-

Report Committee on Education and Scriptural instruction

The joint Committee appointed last year for the purpose of promoting and encouraging education among our by Youth and particularly to promote the cause of Scriptural instruction among our Members and others in attendance of our First-day Schools made the following Report - which being read proved very satisfactory and interesting to us and we appoint Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin, Richard Davis, Elnathan E. Delano, Josiah Holmes Jr, Rufus Shearman, Edward G. Dillingham, John Wood Jr, Lilburn Hiller, Joshua L. Macomber, John K. Davis Jr, Joseph R. Wing, Isaac L. Cowen, Arnold G. Tripp a Committee upon this subject for the ensuing year, to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, and they are encouraged to use every effort for the promotion of Education + Religious instruction among our members and others, especially, among the Youth and report to this meeting next year-

Holden Howland + Wife Received

The joint Committee appointed to visit Holden Howland and his Wife Almy Howland on Account of their request to become members of our Religious society made the following report - which being read and considered was fully united with, and they are now received into membership with us the Women's meeting concurring herein and Charles R. Tucker is appointed by us to inform them

The friend appointed to inform Franklin H. Howland of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports he has informed him.-

9 mo 1871

Com. in Case of Wm P. Howland Jr

We appoint James B. Congdon on the Committee, in place of our beloved friend Abraham Barker, deceased, having care in the case of Wm P. Howland Jr — Information having been given to this meeting of his deviation in marriage 8 mo 1868 —

Lond. Gen. Epistle

We have received at this time 425 copies of the London Gen. Epistle for 1870 and appoint Rufus Shearman, John Wood, Albert W. Holmes, Wm G. Wing, Jos. R. Wing, Joshua L. Macomber, David S. Wood and John R. Davis Jr a Committee to distribute them among our members and others —

The Committee appointed in 7th mo last to distribute the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting report they have attended to this duty —

To the Monthly Meeting —

Report on Education

The joint Committee appointed to encourage efforts for the promotion of Education among our Members and others, especially among the Youth" report — that upon the subject of Secular Education, but little has been attempted by the Committee.

We believe however that parents, and guardians, are in a good degree alive to the importance of this subject, and that in many cases, the needed sacrifice and exertion are cheerfully made to secure a practical education for our Youth — Several of our young members have also prosecuted their studies at Academies and Colleges, and ten children have attended Friends School at Providence. Eight of our members have also been engaged in teaching the past year.

Religious education, particularly instruction in First day schools, has received considerable attention from the Committee, some of our number have been actively engaged as teachers, and these with others, have visited from time to time, the several First-day schools sustained within our limits.

The School at New Bedford has been continued as usual through the year with an average attendance of 145 Scholars and 22 Teachers — Much earnest and active labor is necessary to maintain the efficiency of this school, made up as it is of children from almost every class in Society, and we hope it may continue to receive the fostering care and prayerful interest of Friends.

At Fairhaven the school is small and has been continued under some discouragements. Few of the adult members attend. Could a larger number of this class be induced to join in the exercises, we believe it would result in benefit to themselves and to the growth and prosperity of the school —

9 m: 1871 At Acushnet a small Bible class, composed mostly of adults is continued — About 12 is the number reported as attending here, of which only one third are members, and we believe that comfort and satisfaction has often been derived to the little company, — Nowhere is the advice of the Apostle to his "own son in the faith" more applicable than in these simple gatherings, attended as they often are, by the unlearned but earnest seeker after Divine Truth — While apt to teach, "the servant of the Lord must not strive, but be gentle unto all men, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves"

At Longplain no organized school or Bible class is reported
Report at the close of the meeting for Worship on First-day, a considerable
on proportion of the company again meet to read selections from
Education Holy scripture, after which texts are repeated from memory by nearly all present — We believe however that the formation of classes for the study of short, but practical lessons from Scripture would not only be more interesting, but that this method would be likely to enlist the young and to draw into their circle a class in the neighborhood which at present does not enjoy this means of instruction — We are also impressed with the belief that the simple study of the example and teachings of the Savior, would tend to increase among them, the love of the brethren, so essential to a religious growth in the individual and in the church —

The school at Mattapoisett is still continued, and has we believe, been productive of good — About 55 are reported as belonging to the school, with an average attendance of 37 — An encouraging feature is stated, that of the whole number usually in the school, about two thirds stay to attend the Meeting which follows —

We desire to strengthen the hands of those who are labouring in this interesting field —

All of which is submitted on behalf of the Committee

Rufus Shearman
New Bedford 9 mo 28th 1871 — Sylvia G. Howland

To the Monthly Meeting, Agreeable to appointment we have visited Holder Howland & his wife Almy Howland on account of their request to be admitted members of this Meeting, to good satisfaction, believing them to be sincere in taking this important step — and we are united in recommending that their request be granted. Sarah H. Anthony, Charles R. Tucker

New Bedford 9 m 15th 1871. Hetty E. Howland, James B. Congdon

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

10th mo. 1871 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10th mo. 26. 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Albert Wood, Peleg Slocum - Longplain Thomas Wood & Lilburn Hiller who are present.

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report they all attended -

The friend appointed last month to inform Holder Howland & Wife of the conclusion of this Meeting in reference to their request Reports he has informed them -

Our beloved friend Sarah Ellen Varney attended
Visit this Meeting and presented a Certificate from China
Sarah E. Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her as a Minister and
Varney with her present Religious engagements - her Company
and Gospel services have been truly Acceptable to us -

Our dear friend Phebe R. Cartland attended
Visit this Meeting as Companion to our friend Sarah E. Varney
Phebe R. and presented a Certificate from Durham Mo. Meeting
Cartland expressing unity with her and with her present Religious
engagement - her Company has been acceptable to us - and the
Clerk is directed to furnish these friends with a copy of
the above minutes as they relate to each respectively -

The Committee appointed in 8th mo. last to receive
Subscripn the Subscriptions of Friends to aid in building a Meeting-
Kansas house for the Yearly Meeting of Kansas - Report, they had
Meetinghouse collected $200 for this purpose and paid it over to the
Treasurer of N. E. Yearly Meeting - presenting his receipt for same -

We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving Sallie W. Howland as a member of our Religious Society -

The following Communication having been received from our friend Matthew Barney of Nantucket - The Overseers are authorized to convey to David G. Barney for a sum satisfactory to them 34 shares in the dividend Land and 19 do. in the common land of the township of Nantucket - the Amount when received to be applied to the support of the Poor belonging to Nantucket Meeting

Nantucket 9 mo 21st 1871

To the Overseers New Bedford
Monthly Meeting, Dear friends,

A short time ago I applied to Edmund Gardner (thinking he was one of the Overseers) to purchase some shares of land that came to our Meeting from or by the Will of Abisha Bunker - Capt Gardner advised me to write to the Committee who had our meeting in charge, I did so, and am again referred to you - Abisha Bunker gave by Will to Nantucket Mo. Meeting with other Property 34

11mo 23d 1871 sheep Commons or rights in the Common & dividend lands, 15 of said Commons we sold while we had power as a Mo. Meeting and I find by the records since I wrote the Committee, that we did not sell the Dividend land of the 15 Commons so there remains the 34 shares in the Dividend land and 19 in the Common land, which shares I wish to purchase for my Brother David G. Barney or for myself, as we wish to take up some land together— As I am one of the Overseers, please let him have it, they have been selling for 45 to 50 cents per Common alone and 85 to $1— for full rights in Commons and dividend land— Edmund Gardner can explain their peculiarity better than I can write— My Brother will give Twenty five dollars and make the Deed &c— I think this finishes up Abisha Bunker's land—

Please consider the Matter and allow me to sell them— Your friend

Matthew Barney

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11 mo. 23d 1871.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Joseph S. Tillinghast, B Franklin Howland— Longplain Jonathan Cowin and John R. Davis Jr who are present—

The Queries were read with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and we appoint our friends William G. Wing, Peleg Slocum Joshua L. Macomber and Edw. G. Dillingham to attend that Meeting as our Representatives—

Mary C. Kirby We concur with the Womens Meeting in receiving Mary C. Kirby as a member of our Religious Society—

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

12mo 1871 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12 mo. 28. 1871.
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting
are from New Bedford Ezra Kelley, James M. Tripp –
Longplain Arnold G. Tripp & Jonathan Cowen who are present –

Our beloved friend Silas H. Cartland attended
Visit this Meeting and presented a Minute from Limington
Silas H. Mo. Meeting expressing unity with him as a minister
Cartland and with his present Religious engagements – his Company
and Religious services have been acceptable to us –

Our beloved friend Lydia A. Cartland attended
Visit this Meeting and presented testimonials from Limington
Lydia A. Mo. Meeting, endorsed by Falmouth Quarterly Meeting
Cartland expressing unity with her as a minister and with her
present Religious engagements – her company and Gospel
labors have been Acceptable to us – And the clerk
is directed to furnish the above named friends with
copies of these minutes as they relate to each respectively.

The Representatives appointed to attend the
Quarterly Meeting report they all attended –

We appoint our friends James B. Congdon
Rufus Shearman, Edw G. Dillingham and Arnold G. Tripp
Committee a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account
to settle propose a sum to be raised for the use of this meeting the
Treasurer ensuing year and the name of a Friend for Treasurer –
Also to audit the several trust funds under the care of this
Meeting –

The Committee appointed to communicate with
Report William P. Howland Jr on acc. of his deviation in Marriage
of Com. made the following Report – which being read & considered
Wm P. Howland Jr was Accepted and in Accordance therewith we release
him from Membership with us, the Women's Meeting concurring
herein and James B. Congdon is appointed to inform him –

We concur with the Women's Meeting in
receiving a Removal Certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting
on behalf of Sylvia R. Hawes –

The Committee appointed to take the Oversight
Report of Funerals and have the care of Burial grounds made
of Com. the following report – which being read was Acceptable to
Funerals this Meeting and we appoint Edward W. Howland, Jonathan
Cowen, Arnold G. Tripp, Joseph R. Wing and Charles R. Tucker
a Committee to bring forward at our next Meeting a list
of Friends to serve in this Capacity the ensuing year –

To the Monthly Meeting –

The Committee appointed to take the Oversight
of Funerals and the care of Burial Grounds report – that some of

our number have attended all funerals of our own members held the past year, as well as those not members attended

Report of Com on Funerals &c

by Friends at which our care has been requested. But few of our members have been removed by death during the year now closing, but as one after another of those with whom we have walked together is taken from us, we are reminded that ere long, others may be called to perform for us these last offices of humanity, and that we too must pass away.

Some care has also been extended to the several burial grounds within our limits.

The old burial place at Rochester, not now used by Friends, has been partially closed by a new fence, erected by those in the neighborhood, who still use it as a place of interment.

At Mattapoisett the ground is somewhat disfigured by a growth of bushes and young trees which have sprung up in one portion of the enclosure, and these should be removed the coming season. In other respects we believe the several burial places are in pretty good order, and are decently enclosed.

In behalf of the Committee
12 mo 22d 1871. Edward G. Dillingham
Henry T. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting.

Report on Wm P. Howld Jr

The Committee appointed in the case of Wm Penn Howland Jr of New York, who by marriage with one not a member of our Society, had rendered himself amenable to our discipline, have attended to the duty with which they were charged.

The marriage took place in the 8th mo. 1868. The same month and year a committee consisting of Abraham Barker & James M. Tripp was appointed to give the subject attention. On the 23d of the following month the committee reported, a statement from which it appeared that our friend had connected himself with a religious body known as the Church of the Pilgrims (Congregational) Brooklyn. The subject was left in the hands of the Committee. On the 28th of 9th mo last it was revived and James B. Congdon placed upon the Committee in the room of our friend Abraham Barker deceased.

This Committee now make their report viz.

On the 1st day of the 11th mo. our friend was again addressed upon the subject of his deviation in marriage; and while the feelings of attachment to our Society and the religious thoughtfulness which were manifested by his former note were commended, it was intimated that it was

12 mo 1871 hardly consistant for him to retain his membership with two different religious bodies. A copy of this note is at the service of the meeting. The reply to our letter is dated 12 mo 20th and is herewith presented as a part of our report. Its tenor & spirit harmonize with his former communication, and are calculated to make a favorable impression as to the young man's sincerity and religious sensibility.

In view of it however, we do not see that we can any longer consistently retain him as a member. We would therefore recommend that he be released from his engagement with us, and his name taken from the list of members of this meeting.
All of which is submitted
12 mo 28th 1871.
James B. Congdon
James M. Tripp Committee

New York 12th mo 20th 1871

James B. Congdon
Esteemed friend

Poor health and stress of other cares I must plead in excuse for neglect of my duty in response to thy kind letter of 1st ult. Replying thereto, I would reiterate the sincere feeling of respect, which I have always had, and still entertain for the Society of Friends, as well as my regard for their principles. I do not feel that I am led to sever my connection with the "Church of the Pilgrims", Brooklyn formed some four years since, which I beleive to have been profitable in the interest of my eternal welfare.

While thus stating my position, I am tempted to add my belief that, although called by different names, those are not widely seperate who build on the chief corner-stone" "Jesus Christ and Him crucified". Trusting that I may ever find my place near Friends in this faith I remain
Truly thy friend
Wm. P. Howland Jr.

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1 mo. 25th 1872.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Gideon Wood, James Harper - Longplain Jos. R. Wing and Edward G. Dillingham who are present.

The Committee appointed last month to examine the Treasurer's Account and for other purposes made the following report - which being read was satisfactory and Henry T. Wood is reappointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the

1 mo 1872 year ensuing or until another appointment - John B. Baylies Edward T. Tucker, and Arnold G. Tripp are appointed a Committee to receive the Contributions of Friends for Nineteen hundred Dollars, the Amount proposed to be raised, pay the same to our Treasurer and present his receipt when Accomplished -

William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood, Edw W. Howland and Geo. Howland Jr are appointed a Committee to have the care and distribution of the income arising from the Charitable Fund of our late friend Abm. Shearman Jr -

We also appoint Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jun. Richard Davis, Edw G. Dillingham and Charles R. Tucker to have the care and distribution for the ensuing year, the income arising from the Educational Fund left for that purpose by the above named friend -

Wm P Howld Jr The friend appointed last month to inform William P. Howland Jr of the conclusion of this meeting in his case, reports he has informed him -

We concur with the Women's Meeting in approving a Removal Certificate to Rhode Island Mo. Meeting on behalf of Eliza Chace Wife of Jacob Chace -

Committee
have Care
Funerals
The Committee appointed last month to bring forward the names of Friends to constitute a Committee to have the care of Burial grounds and the Oversight of Funerals for the ensuing year, reported the following viz. Charles R. Tucker, Edw W. Howland, Gideon Wood, Geo. Howland Jun. Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Rufus Shearman, James M. Tripp, John B. Baylies, Richard Davis, Jonathan Cowen, Joseph R. Wing, Edw G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber, Lilburn Hiller, Arnold G. Tripp, David S. Wood, Charles Taber, Peleg Slocum, Robert B. Taber, and John F. Tucker who are Accordingly appointed to that service and encouraged to attend faithfully to the duty assigned them and report next year -

Frances T.
Taber
The following Communication from the Overseers recd through New Bedford Preparative Meeting was read and Considered at this time and we appoint our friends Charles R. Tucker and Henry T. Wood to take the necessary care in the Case and report at a future Meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting.

Francis T. Taber son of Francis Taber Jr has a right of Membership in this Meeting - From his remote situation we are very little acquainted with his life and Character - though we are not aware that he has ever recognized his right of membership - We submit his case to the care of the Monthly Meeting - Recently we have

1 mo 1872 learned that he sometime since married one not a member of our Society-

New Bedford
1 mo. 17th 1872

Matthew Howland
Henry T. Wood - Overseers

To the Monthly Meeting-

Report Committee on Treasurers Account

The Committee appointed last Month to examine the Accounts of the Treasurer, propose a sum to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, to name a Friend for Treasurer and to audit the several Trust Funds under the care of this meeting, have attended to the several duties assigned them and submit to the Meeting the following Report - viz
Receipts of the Treas. including Balance on hand last year $2124.06. Disbursements for the year $2182.00 shewing a Balance due the Treasurer of $57.94-
A Shearman Jr Charitable Fund Receipts including Balance last year's Acc $198.79 - Disbursed to 25 Individuals $163.00 leaving Balance on hand $35.79-
A Shearman Jr Educational Fund - Dividends received including Balance on hand $211.60. Paid on Acc schooling one individual at Yearly Meeting school $110. Balance on hand $101.60
John West Charitable Fund. Received in Dividends including Balance on hand $801.83 Disbursed to 120 Persons $701.25 Balance in Bank unexpended $100.58 - Abner Pease bequest to Longplain Preparative Meeting Matthew Howland Custodian for the Overseers N Bedford Mo. Meeting - The income from this Fund the past year $3296.69 Paid Treasurer Longplain Preparative Mtg $2580 - Taxes $693.20 leaving a Balance in hands of Custodian $23.49.

We have found in all these cases the Accounts clearly and correctly stated and Vouchers for all the payments, excepting two made by our Treasurer, which were of a character to render it difficult to procure them, but of the correctness of the charges there can be no question-

The funds under the care of this meeting and the securities belonging to each are as follows-
General Fund - Bond U. S. Govt $500. 21 shs National Bk of Commerce $2100. - A Shearman Jr Educational Fund 14 shs Merchants Nat. Bank par value $1400. Ditto Charitable Fund 17 shs Merchants Nat. Bank $1700. The above described securities are in the hands of the Treasurer and have been examined by us - John West Fund 46 shs Merchants Nat. Bank $4600. 20 First National Do $2000. These securities are in the hands of the Trustees -

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2 mo 1872 Abner Pease Longplain Preparative Meeting Fund -
55 shs. Nat. Bank of Commerce - 80 Fairhaven Nat. Bank -
60 " Merchants Nat. Bank - 31 shs. Mechanic's Do. Do. -
Auditors Report 40 " First Nat. Ditto - 266 shs Bank stock valued $27,600.
11 shs. Boston & Prov. Railroad $1100 - 3 " Gosnold Mills $300 - 1400.
5000 dollars U.S. Bonds valued $5500 - 5 U.S. Bonds $5000 10500.
One Massachusett State Bond par value - 500.
$40,000 -

These funds are we think, estimated at less than the Market value - The securities are in the hands of Matthew Howland Custodian for the Overseers of the Monthly Meeting and have been examined by us -

We recommend that the sum of Nineteen hundred Dollars be raised for the purposes of the Meeting the present year and that our friend Henry T. Wood be appointed Treasurer -

All of which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford
1 mo 12th 1872.

James B. Congdon
Rufus Shearman
Edw G. Dillingham
Arnold G. Tripp
Committee

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2d mo. 22d 1872.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford B Franklin Howland, Robt. B. Taber - Longplain Arnold G. Tripp and Peter D. Slade who are present -

Request of Luther Bowman. The following request of Luther Bowman to become a member of our Religious Society received through Longplain Preparative Meeting being read and considered We appoint Josiah Holmes Jr & Charles R. Tucker a Committee to visit him on acct of his request and report at a future Meeting -

Appointment Overseers The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we are united in the reappointment of Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin John Wood, Edw G. Dillingham, Jos. R. Wing & Matthew Barney as Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

The Committee appointed last Month to receive the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $1900 - the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting, report that sum has been received and paid to our Treasurer, who acknowledges receipt of the same -

3 mo 1872 Our friend James B. Congdon is added to the Committee under appointment of this Meeting, on the subject of Memorials—

The subject of holding General Meetings for divine worship, under the care and direction of a
General
meetings
Committee of the Yearly Meeting, in such places within its limits as that meeting may designate was introduced (men and women Friends being in joint session) when, after full consideration of the subject, the meeting was united in submitting a proposition therefore to our next Quarterly Meeting, that, should that meeting approve and adopt this concern, the Yearly Meeting may be informed thereof—

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends—

I have for sometime past felt it a duty required of me, to be united in membership with the Society of Friends, and hereby make a request to be received as a member of the Society, if I should be found worthy—

Luther Bowman

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3 mo. 28th 1872.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Edward W. Howland, Holder Howland— Longplain Richard Davis & Arnold G. Tripp who are present—

Queries The Queries with Answers from our Preparative Meetings have been read and a summary approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Rufus Shearman, Joseph Tripp, Joshua L. Macomber, Edw G. Dillingham to attend that Meeting as our Representatives—

The following communication from Charles S.
Proposal
Chas. S.
Hinchman
&
Lydia S.
Mitchell
Hinchman and Lydia S. Mitchell received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting, was read and due notice taken thereof—and they are requested to wait for their Answer until the adjournment of this Meeting two weeks hence—

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

With Divine permission and the approbation of Friends, we intend marriage with each other.

Chas. S. Hinchman
3 mo 25th 1872. Lydia S. Mitchell.

Edward C.
&
Paulina
Murray
The following request, of Edward C. Murray and his Wife Paulina C. for themselves and minor child Edward C. Jr to become members of our Religious Society was

3 mo. 1872 received through Longplain Preparative Meeting and read. We appoint Edw G. Dillingham & Gideon Wood to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on this Account and report at a future Meeting-

Jonathan E. Cowen

The following Communication from the Overseers recd through Longplain Preparative Meeting informs us of the deviation in marriage of Jonathan E. Cowen. We appoint Geo. Howland Jr and Chas. R. Tucker to confer with him on this Account and report to a future meeting-

Richard Davis Jr

Another Communication from the Overseers through the same Meeting informs us that Richard Davis Jr has deviated in Marriage. Chas. Taber and Henry T. Wood are appointed to visit him on this Acc. and report to a future Meeting-

A testimony concerning our late dear friend Susan Howland was presented at this time by the Committee on Memorials and read. It was fully approved, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting.-

We are informed by the Treasurer of this Meeting, that our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting-

Adjourned to meet on 5th day the 11th of 4th mo. next at the usual hour.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting-

Dear friends,

We have for some length of time felt it a duty to become Members of your Religious Society if found worthy- We also request for our child Edward C. Jr-

Acushnet Edward C. Murray
3 mo 20th 1872. Paulena C. Murray

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

We inform that Jonathan Emerson Cowen has married one not in membership with us

Longplain John Wood
3 mo 20th 1872. Joseph R. Wing Overseers

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

We inform that Richard Davis Jr has married one not in Membership with us

Longplain John Wood
3 mo 20th 1872. Joseph R. Wing, Overseers

To the Monthly Meeting.

A new list of the names of our Members drawn from the Records is herewith presented. The number reported at this time last year, as belonging

3 mo 1872 to this Monthly Meeting was — — — 389.
Of this number, it was afterwards found that two
List of members Timothy Hussey and Judith Paddack had previously died _ 2
leaving - 387.

Added during the year by Certificate - 2
by request _ 8
birth _ 1 11.
398.

Lost during the year by death viz.
Benj. Anthony Rebecca A. Church
John E. Almy Sarah Easton
Abraham Barker Susan Howland
Jane Reed Susan Howland } daughter of Weston } 8
by Removal — 1
by disownment — 1 10
Leaving at this time 388.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

4 mo 1872 At an Adjournment of New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 mo. 11th 1872.

Representatives being called were present except three.

Charles S. Hinchman & Lydia S. Mitchell Charles S. Hinchman and Lydia S. Mitchell having at our last Mo. Meeting made a declaration of their intentions of marriage with each other _ and having consent of surviving parents on his part and appearing clear to proceed therein, they are now allowed to solemnize their said Marriage According to the established order of our Religious Society _ and owing to circumstances satisfactory to us, we allow this marriage to be Accomplished at a Meeting to be held at Matthew Barney's in Nantucket on 3d day the 23 inst. at 8 oclock A. M. and Matthew Barney and George Easton are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to this Meeting next month _

Attest M Howland, clerk.

4 mo 1872 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4 mo. 25. 1872.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford John B. Bayliss, Seth K. Akin — Longplain, Caleb Slade and Lilburn Hiller who are present except two, for the absence of one of whom a satisfactory reason was assigned —

Overseers of Poor

The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired. We appoint Geo. Howland Jr, Rufus Shearman, John Wood & Jos. R. Wing a Committee to present at our next meeting, the names of Friends to serve in this capacity for the year ensuing —

Bequest Susan Howland

The following extract from the Will of our late dear friend Susan Howland, conveying a bequest to this Meeting of One thousand Dollars in trust, was laid before this Meeting by Matthew Howland one of the Executors of the Will and we Accept the trust, and direct the Overseers of this Meeting to receive and invest the Amount of the bequest and they, in connection with the Overseers of the Women's Meeting are desired to disburse the income of the same According to the Wishes of the donor —

"I give and bequeath to the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends One thousand Dollars to be invested and held by it in trust; the income from which shall be given to Ministers of the Gospel in the Society of Friends, traveling hereaway, who may need assistance; the Amount given, and the person and persons to whom given, shall be at the discretion of the Overseers of said New Bedford Monthly Meeting" —

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended —

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

5 mo 1872 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5 mo. 23^d 1872

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford — James B. Congdon, Holder Howland Longplain — John Wood and Jos. R. Wing who are present except One.

Appoint^t Clerks

The time for which the clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired — the Representatives through one of their number proposed the name of Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk, which being united with by this Meeting, they are Accordingly appointed to those stations for the year ensuing or until another appointment —

The following request, rec^d through New Bedford

5 mo 1872

Charles W. Crapo + family

Preparative Meeting, of Charles W. Crapo and his Wife Elizabeth V. for themselves and three Minor children viz. Elizabeth, Sarah and Herbert to become members of our Religious Society was read and we appoint Rufus Shearman & Josiah Holmes Jr. to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on this Account & report to a future Meeting.

Edward C. + Paulina C. Murray

The Committee appointed in the 3d mo. last to visit Edward C. and Paulina C. Murray on Account of their request to become Members, with their infant son Edward C. Jr, of our religious society made the following report which being read was Acceptable to this Meeting and they are Accordingly admitted Members thereof, the Women's Meeting Concurring herein and Joseph R. Wing is appointed to inform them.

Richard Davis Jr

The Committee appointed to visit Richard Davis Jr on Acc. of his deviation in Marriage made the following report which was united with and having Concurrence of the Women's Meeting he is retained a member of our Religious society and Peter D. Slade is appointed to inform him -

Overseers Poor

The Committee appointed last Month to bring forward the Names of Friends for "Overseers of the Poor" of this Meeting made the following report and in Accordance therewith - Rufus Shearman, George Howland Jr, Matthew Howland, John Wood, Richard Davis, Joshua L. Macomber & Matthew Barney are appointed "Overseers of the Poor" for the year ensuing or until another appointment

The friends appointed, at an adjournment of this Meeting, held last Month to have the Oversight of the Marriage of Charles S. Hinchman and Lydia S. Mitchell report that they attended the Marriage, and the proceedings were conducted in an orderly manner and the Certificate placed in the hands of the Recorder -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

The Master says go work in my vineyard - My heart responds, I will go and work while the day lasts - I have come to the Conclusion (not suddenly) that it is my place to work with the Friends - If therefore in the judgement of this Meeting I am Accounted worthy and there is nothing in the way, it is my request to be received as a member - My Wife also joins with me in this request - My three minor children, Elizabeth, Sarah and Herbert led me here, I wish also to retain them -

5th mo 1872 New Bedford 5th mo 16th 1872. Signed

Charles W. Crapo
Elizabeth V. Crapo

To the Monthly Meeting.

In accordance with our appointment we have visited Edward C. and Paulina C. Murray on account of their request to be received as members of our religious Society.

They both seemed truly desirous to be rightly directed and we believe that their request for themselves and their infant son Edward is from a sense of religious duty.

New Bedford
5mo. 16th 1872.

Edwd G. Dillingham
Gideon Wood
Nancy B. Dillingham Com.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee in the case of Richard Davis Jr. (who has married one not in membership) have visited him pursuant to appointment. He said he felt attached to the Society and its principles, and attended its Meetings from preference. and that of late, the importance of a religious life, had been more deeply impressed on his mind.
He expressed himself as desirous of being retained a member of our Society.

Charles Taber
New Bedford 5th mo 23d 1872. Henry T. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed last Month to bring forward Names for "Overseers of the Poor" propose the following viz Rufus Shearman, Geo. Howland Jr, Matthew Howland, John Wood, Richard Davis, Joshua L. Macomber, Matthew Barney

for the Committee
New Bedford 5m. 23d 1872. Geo. Howland Jun.

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

6th mo 1872 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6 mo. 27th 1872.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Grinnell, William G. Wing - Longplain - Richard Davis & Jonathan Cowen who are present -

L Bedell & D Hill — Our beloved friends Lewis Bedell of Poughkeepsie Mo. Mtg and Daniel Hill of Clear-creek Mo. Meeting Clinton Co. Ohio attended this Meeting and presented testimonials from their respective Meetings informing us of their unity with them and with their present religious engagements - their company and religious services have been acceptable to us - and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each respectively -

Queries — The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which were approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint our friends Rufus Shearman, William C. Taber, Edw G. Dillingham, and Henry T. Wood to attend that Meeting as our Representatives.

Report Chas. W. Crapo & family — The Committee appointed last Month to visit Charles W. Crapo, his Wife Elizabeth V. and three minor children viz. Eliza V. H. Sally and Herbert on account of their request to become Members of our religious society, made the following report - which being read and considered was fully united with, and having the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we now receive them as members of our Society and Josiah Holmes Jr is appointed to inform them -

The friend appointed last month to inform Edward C. Murray of his being received into Membership with us reports he has informed him -

Mary P Nye — We concur with the Women's Meeting in releasing Mary P. Nye from membership with us -

The friend appointed to inform Richard Davis Jr of his being retained a member, he having deviated in marriage reports he has informed him -

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreable to our appointment we have visited Charles W. Crapo And his Wife Eliza V. and their three Minor Children viz. Eliza V. H. Sally and Herbert Crapo, on Account of their to become members of our religious society - Our visit with them was to us a very pleasant & satisfactory one - they appear convinced of the principles held by friends, and we believe it is their desire to be received into membership with us - which we submit to the judgement of the Meeting -

New Bedford 6 mo. 27th 1872.

Rufus Shearman
Josiah Holmes Jr
Anna G. Wood
Rhoda T. Gifford. Com.

7th mo 1872 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7th mo. 25. 1872

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford - Jos. Taber, Charles R. Tucker - Long-Plain Joshua L. Macomber and Cornelius Macomber who are present except one -

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, report they all attended -

The following communication from Jas. Robinson

James Robinson

recd through New Bedford Preparative Meeting, resigning his right of Membership in our Society was read & considered and we appoint James B. Congdon, and Josiah Holmes Jr to visit him on this Acc. and report at a future Meeting -

A verbal request, made by the Overseers from

Request Abraham Delano

Abraham Delano, to be again received into membership with us, was received and considered - We appoint Rufus Shearman and Seth K. Akin to visit him on Acc. of his request and report at a future Meeting -

We concur with the Womens meeting in approving

Sylvia G. Crocker

a removal certificate to Sandwich Ms. Meeting on behalf of Sylvia G. Crocker -

The friend appointed last month to inform Charles W. Crapo and family of their being admitted members of our Religious Society reports he has informed them -

We have received at this time Copies of the London

Lond. Gen. Epistle

General Epistle, together with Printed minutes of our last Yearly meeting and Copies of the Report of the Boarding school Com. We appoint Edw. T. Tucker, Joshua L. Macomber, Cornelius Macomber, Daniel Wing, Wm G. Wing, Edw G. Dillingham and Geo. R. Wood to distribute them among our members and others who may be in the habit of attending our Meetings -

The subject of holding General Meetings

General Meetings

for Divine worship as recommended by our last Yearly Meeting was brought before us at this time, Men & Women's Meeting being in joint session - After a free expression of views upon this important subject, we were united in the appointment of the following friends viz Henry T. Wood John B. Baylies, James B. Congdon, Wm G. Wing, Geo. Howland Jr, Charles Taber, Gideon Wood and Edw. W. Howland to make the necessary application for permission to hold a General Meeting, fix upon a time therefor, and make all necessary arrangements for that purpose -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

I hereby resign my membership in the Society of Friends, as a lack of unity with the principles

8th mo 1872 professed by them renders it an inconsistency.

New Bedford
1st mo. 17. 1870

Respectfully yours
James Robinson

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8 mo. 22d 1872

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm G. Wing, Ezra Kelley - Longplain Jonathan Cowen and John R. Davis Jr who are present except One -

Report Abraham Delano — The Committee appointed last month to visit Abraham Delano on Account of his request to be again received into membership with us, made the following report - which being read and considered was accepted, and with the concurrance of the Women's Meeting, we receive him as a member of our Religious society and Seth K. Akin is appointed to inform him -

Deborah Gifford Ct Lydia Allen — We concur with the Women's Meeting in approving Removal certificates to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Deborah W. Gifford and Lydia G. Allen -

The Committee appointed last month to distribute documents among our Members and others, report they have attended to that duty -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Agreably to our appointment we have visited Abraham Delano on account of his request to become a member of our Religious society.

Our interview with him was satisfactory - he expressed a decided preferance for the Society of Friends and a desire to be again received into membership with us - which we submit to the Meeting

New Bedford
8 mo 22d 1872.

Rufus Shearman
Seth K. Akin

Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

9th mo 1872 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9 mo. 26th 1872

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford, Geo. Howland Jr, Jas. M. Tripp - Longplain, Richard Davis & Jos. R. Wing who are present -

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, Jos. Grinnell, Joshua L. Macomber & Richd Davis to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

The Committee appointed in the 7th mo last to make the necessary application for permission to hold a General Meeting for Divine Worship in this city made the following report. which being read was approved and the Treasurer is authorized to pay the expense incurred -

E. H. Winslow Request Marriage Certificate

The following request of Edward H. Winslow received through N. Bedford Preparative Meeting for a marriage Certificate to Salem Mo. Meeting was read and we appoint Henry T. Wood and Charles Taber to take the necessary care in the case and report at our next Mo. Meeting -

The joint Committee now under appointment by this Meeting, to promote the Cause of Education among our Members presented a report at this time, which was read and the consideration thereof postponed to our next meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting.

Report of Committee in regard General Meetings

The joint Committee appointed in 7th mo. last "to make the necessary application for permission to hold a General Meeting for Divine Worship, to recommend a time and place therefor, and to make the necessary arrangements for the purpose", report that we were united in recommending that such a Meeting be held in this city, and that the 24th of 8th mo. be fixed upon, as the time for its Commencement - Our application was duly considered by the Committee under appointment by the Yearly and Quarterly Meeting for that purpose, and the request was granted - The Meeting was accordingly held, under the direction of the Yearly Meetings Committee and was largely attended by Friends, and by many not in membership - It continued through three days and a half, ten sessions having been held -

We can thankfully acknowledge that we believe the several sittings were held to the honor of Truth, and were owned by the Dear Master -

The expense of the Arrangements for the reception and entertainment of Friends has amounted to Seventy one $^{85}/_{100}$ Dollars –

We recommend the payment of this sum by the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee
9 mo. 25th 1872. Henry T. Wood
Gulielma W. Howland

To the Monthly Meeting.

Edward H. Winslow requests a Certificate on account of Marriage to Salem Monthly Meeting
New Bedford Edward H. Winslow
9 mo 19th 1872

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

10th mo 1872 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10 mo. 24th 1872.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Holder Howland, John B. Baylies – Longplain John Wood & Abram Gifford who are present –

Returning Minute Mary E. Bowerman Our beloved friend Mary E. Bowerman attended this Meeting and presented testimonials from Rollin Mo. Meeting, endorsed by Adrian Quarterly Meeting, Michigan expressing unity with her as a minister and with her present religious engagements – her company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended

A communication received from the clerk of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting informs us that our proportion of stock for the use of that meeting is $1360 – which our Treasurer is requested to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when in possession of the necessary funds.

Report on Education The following report presented last month by the Committee appointed for the purpose of promoting & encouraging education in our Society and especially to promote the cause of Scriptural instruction among our members and those in attendance of our First-day schools being again brought before us was read and proved acceptable and encouraging to us and we appoint Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin, Richard Davis, Elnathan E. Delano, Josiah Holmes Jr. Rufus Shearman, Edward G. Dillingham, John Wood Jr, Lilburn Keller Joshua L. Macomber, John R. Davis Jr, Joseph K. King, Isaac L. Cowen and Arnold G. Tripp a Committee upon this subject for the ensuing year, to unite with a similar Committee of Women Friends, and it is with us to

10th Mo 1872 express a renewed interest in this important subject, and to encourage the Committee to a faithful discharge of the duties of their appointment and report to this meeting next year—

The Committee appointed last month to consider the
Edwd H Winslow request of Edward H. Winslow for a Certificate on account of
Marriage Certificate Marriage to Salem Mo. Meeting, presented one at this time which being read was approved and with the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf—

A Communication from Sandwich Mo. Meeting inform us they have received and Accepted our removal Certificate on behalf of Sylvia G. Crocker.

The following Communication from Thomas Wood and Gulielma Coffin was read and due notice taken thereof—

To the Monthly Meeting.
Thomas Wood
& Gulielma Coffin With Divine permission and Friends approbation we intend Marriage with each other
Thomas Wood
New Bedford 10mo. 23d 1872. Gulielma Coffin

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee to
Report promote efforts in furtherance of the cause of Education
Com. Education and of religious instruction among our members and others report— that in the cause of secular education, while but little has been attempted in the capacity of a committee we have not been unmindful of the subject— We trust a healthy feeling of interest is prevalent with many Friends that their children may receive a good, practical education, while others need to be aroused to a higher appreciation of its importance— Eight of our members are reported as having been engaged in teaching the past year—

Considerable attention has been paid to religious instruction, particularly in First day schools, and we have endeavored to encourage and promote continued effort in this important work, both among our own members and with others— We are not however prepared at this time to make a detailed report of the condition and attendance of the several First day schools within our limits

On behalf of the Committee
New Bedford Rufus Shearman
9mo. 25th 1872 Rebecca C. Grinnell

Attest Matthew Howland Clerk.

11th Mo. 1872. At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11th mo. 28th 1872

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Charles R. Tucker, Geo. Howland Jun. Longplain Jos. R. Wing and John R. Davis Jr who are present –

The Revised Book of Discipline approved by our last Yearly Meeting, having been received from the Committee appointed to print and distribute the same this Meeting will be governed in future by its provisions –

The Queries were read, with Answers from our

Queries Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2d & and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and we appoint our friends Rufus Shearman, John Wood, Peleg Slocum + Jonathan Cowen as Representatives to that Meeting –

Thomas Wood and Gulielma Coffin, the latter not a member of our Religious Society, having by a written declaration informed us of their intention of taking each other in Marriage – We appoint Peleg Slocum and Jas. B. Congdon to make the necessary inquiry in the case, and the parties are desired to wait until our next Mo. Meeting for an answer –

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

12 Mo. 1872 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12th mo. 26th 1872.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Seth K. Akin, Gideon Wood. Longplain Seth S. Swift + Jonathan Cowen who are present –

The Committee appointed last month to inquire into the clearness of Thomas Wood to proceed in marriage with Gulielma Coffin reported that they found nothing to prevent, and having consent of Parents and the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, they are allowed to accomplish said marriage in accordance with the order of our Religious Society and we appoint Matthew Howland and Peleg Slocum a Committee to attend the marriage, present the certificate for record + report to our next Mo. Meeting –

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended –

Geo. Almy A Removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo.

Removed in Meeting on behalf of George Almy an Elder was read and Accepted, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting –

A Removal certificate from Salem Monthly

Jabez Wood Meeting on behalf of Jabez Wood an Elder was also read

Removed in and Accepted with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting –

We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving

12mo 1872 a Removal certificate from Frankford Mo. Meeting
Penna. on behalf of Mary N. Wood, Wife of Jabez Wood -
We appoint John B. Baylies, Joshua L. Macomber,
Com. to audit James B. Congdon, and Edw. G. Dillingham a Committee
Treas acct & to examine and settle the Treasurer's Acc., propose a sum
examine Trust funds necessary to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing
year - also the name of a Friend for Treasurer and to
audit the several Trust funds under the care of the Meeting -
Edward W. Howland and John B. Baylies are
Refreshment for appointed a Committee to unite with a similar Committee
Friends at Quarterly of Women friends, to make suitable arrangements and
Meeting provide refreshments at the Meeting house for Friends and
others from a distance, in attendance of the Quarterly
Meeting - and are authorized to present their Bills to our
Treasurer for Payment and report to this Meeting in the
12th mo. next -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

1mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1mo 23d 1873.
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting
are from New Bedford Holder Howland, Charles W. Crapo -
Longplain Richard Davis & Lilburn Hiller who are present -
Report of Com. The Committee appointed last month to examine
on Treas Acct and settle the Treasurer's Account and for other purposes
& Trust Funds made the following report - which being read was accepted
and Henry T. Wood is appointed Treasurer of this Meeting
for the year ensuing or until another appointment - John B.
Baylies, Albert W. Holmes, Joshua L. Macomber, Edw. G. Dillingham
and Peleg Slocum are appointed a Committee to receive the Contributions
of Friends to the Amount of Fourteen hundred & fifty dollars
the Sum proposed to be raised, pay the same to our Treasurer
and present his receipt when accomplished -
We appoint our friends William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood
Edw. W. Howland and Geo. Howland Jr a Committee to have
the care and distribution for the ensuing year, of the income
arising from the Charitable Fund now under the care of this Meeting.
We also appoint Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr,
Richard Davis, Edw G. Dillingham and Charles R. Tucker to
have the care and distribution for the ensuing year of the
income arising from the Educational Fund -
Request of The following request, from Benjamin W. Slade and
Benj W Slade his Wife Mary A. H. Slade, received through Longplain
and Wife Preparative Meeting, to become Members of our Religious Society
for Membership being read and Considered - We appoint Josiah Holmes Jr and
Jonathan Cowen to unite with a similar Committee of

1 Mo. 1873 Women friends to visit them on account of their request and report to a future meeting –

Removal Cert. Lydia S. Hinchman — We concur with the Women's Meeting in approving a Removal certificate to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting for the Western District on behalf of Lydia S. Hinchman late Mitchell –

Luther Bowman Received into Membership — The Committee appointed in 2d mo. 1872 to visit Luther Bowman on Acc. of his request to become a member of our Religious Society made the following report – which being read and considered was Accepted – and with the concurrance of the Women's meeting we admit him a member of our Society and Lilburn Heller is appointed to inform him –

Thomas Wood Married – The Committee appointed last month to have the oversight of the Marriage of Thomas Wood and Gulielma Coffin report that the marriage was orderly conducted and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder –

To the Monthly Meeting –

Auditors Report — The Auditing Committee appointed last month, have attended to the duty with which they were charged and Report they have examined the following Accounts – The Account of Henry T. Wood Treas. of this Meeting – The Acc. of Chas. R. Tucker representing the Trustees of the John West's Estate – The Acc. of Chas. R. Tucker representing the Com. on the A Shearman Jr Educational Fund – The Acc. of Wm C. Taber representing the Com. on the A Shearman Jr Charitable Fund – The Acc. of Matthew Howland, representing the Overseers of this Meeting as Custodian of the Funds of Longplain Preparative Meeting – The Acc. of Jonathan Cowen Treas. of Longplain Preparative Meeting – All these Accounts were found Correct, all being Accompanied with sufficient Vouchers for the respective payments – The balances in the hands of several persons named are as follows – Matthew Howland Custodian 1.34 – Jonathan Cowen Treas. $282.21 – Charles R. Tucker Trustee (Jno. West) $55.55 – Chs. R. Tucker of the Com. A. S. Jr Educational Fund $105.60 – Wm C. Taber of the Com. on Charitable Fund $65.79 – There is due to Henry T. Wood Treas. $56.12 – Henry T. Wood exhibited to the Committee a New Bedford Water Bond for One thousand Dollars, the property of the Monthly Meeting under the Will of Susan Howland for a special purpose – No Account of Receipts or disbursements under the trust was presented –

There has been added to the Assets of the Longplain Preparative meeting Fund a certificate of One Share in the Boston + Providence Railroad – A Massachusetts State Bond, belonging to the same Fund, of Five hundred dollars, has been paid, and its place supplied by a Note of the New Bedford

Gas Light Co for the same Amount - No other changes have been made in the Assets representing the funds directly or indirectly under the charge of this Monthly Meeting -

The Committee are unanimous in recommending that Henry T. Wood be continued another Year as our Treasurer - and would propose that the Sum of Fourteen hundred and fifty dollars be raised for the purposes of the Meeting -

New Bedford
1 mo. 23d 1873.
James B. Congdon
E. G. Dillingham
John B. Bayliss
Joshua L. Macomber

* To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of New Bedford -

B Slade & Wife
Request

Believing that Christianity requires its disciples to Act in Concert, in repressing sin and sustaining the cause of righteousness - therefore if you are willing to receive us, we offer ourselves as co-laborers with you in the great Vineyard of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ -

Benjamin W. Slade
Mary A. H. Slade
12th mo 22d 1872

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to appointment we have had several interviews with Luther Bowman on Account of his request to be received into Membership, and we are united in believing, that it would be right to grant his request -

New Bedford
1 mo 21. 1873.
Charles R. Tucker
Jonah Holmes Jr

Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

2mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2 mo. 27th 1873.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm. G. Wing B. Franklin Howland. Longplain Cornelius Macomber & Jno. R. Davis Jr who are present -

Rufus P King

Our beloved friend Rufus P. King attended this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Walnut Ridge Mo. Meeting endorsed by Walnut Ridge Quarterly Meeting, Indiana expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present Religious engagements his company and Gospel services have been Acceptable to us and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute -

2 Mo 1873

Benj W Slade & Wife received nto Membership

The joint Committee appointed last month to visit Benjamin W. and his Wife Mary A. H. Slade on the of their request, to become members of our Religious society, made the following report which being read and considered was united with and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting we now receive them into Membership with us and Edw. G. Dillingham is appointed to inform them.

Thomas Wood Removed to Salem

Thomas Wood having requested a Removal Certificate to Salem Mo. Meeting We appoint Edward W. Howland & Geo. Howland Jr to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next meeting –

Com. on Records

We appoint our friends Gideon Wood, Richard Davis, John B. Bayliss and Jonathan Cowen a Committee to examine the state and Condition of our Records – ascertain whether all births, deaths, Removals &c. have been duly recorded. also, the total number of members now belonging to this Meeting in accordance with a paragraph on Page 88 of the Discipline, and report to this meeting next month –

The Committee appointed last month to receive the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $1450 – the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, have presented the Treasurer's receipt for the same –

Com. on Overseers

The time for a new appointment of Overseers of this meeting having arrived – We appoint our friends William C. Taber, Jos. Grinnell, James B. Congdon, Jonathan Cowen, Peter Slade and Richard Davis to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, to take the subject into consideration and report to this meeting the names of suitable friends to act in that capacity the ensuing year –

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed upon the request of Benj. W. Slade and his Wife Mary A H. Slade to become members of our Society report – that our visit to them was interesting and in a good degree satisfactory – They expressed that they had derived comfort and help from being associated with Friends in religious worship, and we believe them sincere in their request, and also that they are endeavoring to maintain a christian life – We recommend that they be received into membership

Josiah Holmes Jr   Susan T. Tripp
Jonathan Cowen   Anna G. Wood
com.

Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

3 mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3 mo. 27th 1873.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Holder Howland, Chas. W. Crapo. Longplain Jon. Cowen & Peter D. Slade who are present -

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings, from which a summary wa approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, Jos. Grinnell, Jonathan Cowen, & Edw G. Dillingham to attend that meeting as our Representatives -

Appointment of Overseers - The Committee appointed last month to propose the names of Friends to serve this Meeting in the capacity of Overseers made the following report, which being read and considered was Accepted and in Accordance therewith we appoint our friends Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Chas. R. Tucker, John Wood, Edw G. Dillingham, Richd Davis, and Matthew Barney to act as Overseers in this Meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment - the Womens meeting concurring herein - We also concur with the Women's Meeting in the appointment of Sarah M. Howland Rebecca C. Grinnell, Rhoda T. Gifford, Susan Tripp, Betsy G. Wood, Lydia C. Dexter and Sarah Swain as Overseers -

A.L. Cartland Request - The following request from Alphonse L. Cartland, received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting, to become a member of our Religious Society, was read and we appoint Henry T. Wood, Jas. B. Congdon & Matthew Howland to visit him on Acc. of his request, and report at a future Meeting -

The Committee appointed last month to examine the Records in Accordance with the recommendation of our Discipline made the following report, which being read was Acceptable and satisfactory -

The friend appointed last Month to inform Benjamin W. and Mary A. H. Slade of the conclusion of this Meeting in regard to their request, reports he has informed them -

To the Monthly Meeting.

Com on Overseers Report - The Committee appointed to propose friends to serve as Overseers of this Monthly Meeting have given attention to their appointment and have agreed upon the following viz. Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Chas. R. Tucker, Sarah M. Howland, Rebecca C. Grinnell & Rhoda T. Gifford for N Bedford Preparative Meeting; John Wood, Edward G. Dillingham, Richard Davis, Susan Tripp, Betsey G. Wood & Lydia C. Dexter for Longplain and Matthew Barney & Sarah Swain for the particular Meeting of Nantucket - Which is respectfully submitted -

For the Committee Wm. C. Taber
New Bedford 3mo. 27th 1873. Sarah B. Slade

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends,

Having been convinced of the principles of the society of Friends and desiring to do the will of my Heavenly father, I feel to request membership with you
3mo 18th 1873. Alphonse L. Caitland

To the Monthly Meeting.

Com on Records Report

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of this Monthly Mtg report, that we have compared the alphabetical list of names of the Members of this Mo. Meeting in the hands of the Recorder, with the Records of the Mo. Mtg and believe it to be correct, shewing the whole number of members at this time to be 387-

Accessions in the past year by certificate 3 - Namely George Almy, Jabez Wood & Mary N. Wood - By request 12 - viz. Luther Bowman, Chas. W. Crapo, Wife & 3 children, Abm. Delano, Edw. C. Murray, Wife & son and Benjn. W. Slade & Wife - By birth 3 - viz. Louisa Howland, Jos. R. Wood, & Jas. Henry Wood - Total 18 - Loss during the past year by Disownment one viz. Mary P. Nye - By death 16 - viz Maria L. Anthony, Lucy Carlberg, Eliza Haffards, Jas. Harper, Sarah S. Hardy, Wm P. Howland, Peleg Howland, Jos. Kempton, Hannah Leonard, Eunice Peirce, Jane Reed, Phebe S. Swift, Henry R. Tucker, Robert E. Tucker Stephen Tripp and Thomas Wood - By removal with Certificate 4 - viz Lydia G. Allen, Sylvia G. Crocker, Deborah W. Gifford and Lydia S. Hinchman - Total 21 - Decrease within the year 3 -

Gideon Wood, John B. Baylies
New Bedford 3mo 21. 1873 } Jonathan Cowen
Richard Davis, Com.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

4 Mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4 mo. 24. 1873

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting
are from New Bedford Robert Earle, Geo. Howland Jr.
Longplain Jos. R. King & Benjn H. Slade who are present -

The following request of Benjamin & Nancy J.
B Wilson & Wife Wilson, to become members of our Religious Society, recd
Request through Longplain Preparative Meeting being read
and considered, we appoint Henry T. Wood & Edw. G.
Dillingham to unite with a similar Committee of Women
friends to visit them on account of their request and
report at a future Meeting -

The Committee appointed last month
A L Cartland to visit Alphonse L. Cartland on account of his request,
Received made the following report, which being read was
accepted and with concurrence of the Women's Meeting
we receive him as a member of our Religious society, and
Henry T. Wood is appointed to inform him. -

Our Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report
they all attended -

The Committee appointed in the 2d mo. last to take
the necessary care of preparing a Removal Certificate to
Salem Mo. Meeting on behalf of Thomas Wood presented one
at this time, which being read was approved with the
Concurrence of the Women's Meeting -

The friend appointed in the 1st mo. last
to inform Luther Bowman of the conclusion of this Meeting
in regard to his request, reports he has informed him -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends -

Dear friends,

Feeling that we need the strength and
comfort of some Christian society, our preference is with
yours, if we should be found worthy of membership with
you. Benjamin Wilson
Longplain 4 mo. 16th 1873. Nancy J. Wilson

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed upon the request of
Com. in case of Alphonse L. Cartland to be received a member of our
A. L. Cartland religious society, have had an interview with him upon
Report that subject - We believe him to be sincere in his request
which appears to be, on the ground of religious conviction
of the principles professed by Friends - We recommend that
he be received into membership. James B. Congdon
New Bedford 4th mo. 22d 1873. Henry T. Wood, M Howland, Com.

Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

5 Mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. meeting held 5 mo. 22d 1873.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting [illegible] John Wood and Richard Davis who are present —

Appointment of Clerks

The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired, Richard Davis on behalf of the Representatives proposed the name of Matthew Howland for Clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant Clerk which being united with, they are accordingly appointed to those services for One year or until another appointment.

Recorders Appointed

The time for which the Recorder and Assistant Recorder of this Meeting were appointed having expired we appoint Henry T. Wood, Recorder, Richd Davis Charles Taber and Jonathan Cowen Asst. Recorders for the year ensuing or until another appointment —

James Mitchell Acknowledged a Member

The Committee under appointment with respect to reputed members of the late Nantucket Mo. Meeting [illegible] the following report, in reference to James Mitchell, which being read was accepted and his name ordered to be placed on the Records as a member of our Religious Society and the clerk is directed to inform him —

James Robinson Resignation Accepted

The Committee appointed in 7th mo. 1872 to visit James Robinson on account of his request to be released [illegible] [illegible] his request [illegible] united and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting we accept his resignation and James B. Congdon is appointed to inform him

Overseers of the Poor

The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired we appoint Rufus Freeman, Ed. Howland Jr., Matthew Howland, John Wood, Richd Davis, Joshua L. Macomber, and Matthew Barney to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment —

The friend appointed last month to inform Alphonso L. Cortland of the conclusion of this meeting in regard to his request, reports he has informed him —

m. in Case of antucket Members Report

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee under appointment with respect to reputed Members of the late Nantucket Monthly Meeting report — that James Mitchell formerly of that Island, [illegible] in San Francisco was a member of that Meeting — and we learn from [illegible] of being recognized as a member of our Religious Society.

New Bedford
5 mo 19th 1873.

William C. Taber
Henry T. Wood
for the Committee

5 Mo 1873 To the Monthly Meeting-

The Committee [illegible] notification [illegible] relinquishing his Membership in our society, was sent to the Overseers and by them laid before the Monthly Meeting, have given to the subject such attention as circumstances seemed to require. The Committee met and designed to have an interview with him, and he was asked if such a course would be agreeable to him- The reply was, that he had no objection to meeting the Committee, but he intimated that he did not think it would be of any avail- Something being said in relation to fixing the time for such an interview, the conversation closed by his remarking that he would consider the subject, and if it should be his wish to meet the Committee, he would fix the time and let them know- Several months have elapsed but no message has been received, and the Committee are of opinion that none will be-

Com. in case of Jas Robinson Report

They would therefore recommend that under this appointment no further action be taken, and that the request of James Robinson to have his connection with our society dissolved be granted-

New Bedford
4 mo. 24th 1873.
James B. Congdon
Josiah Holmes Jr, Com.

Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

6 Mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6 mo. 26th 1873.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford B Franklin Howland, Holder Howland- Longplain Jonathan and Lilburn Hiller who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned-

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and we appoint our friends Rufus Shearman, Edw G. Dillingham Jonathan Cowen, James M. Tripp and Jos. S. Tillinghast to attend as our Representatives-

Jona Devoll & Wife Our beloved friends Jonathan Devoll and his wife Mary Jane Devoll attended this Meeting and presented Certificates from Members of Moreau Mo. Meeting New York expressing unity with him as a Minister, and with her as an Elder, and with their present religious

6th Mo 1873 engagements — their company and his Gospel Labors have been Acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute —

B Wilson & Wife eceived as Members The Committee appointed in 4th mo. last to visit Benjamin Wilson and his Wife Nancy on account of their request to become Members of our Religious Society made the following report, which being read and considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting we receive them into membership with us and Edw G. Dillingham is appointed to inform them.

om. to visit Alms House Jail &c The Committee appointed in 3d mo. 1871 to visit the inmates of the Alms House, House of Correction and Jail in this city made the following report which being read and considered proved satisfactory and interesting to us and we appoint our friends James B. Congdon, Henry T. Wood, Joseph Grinnell Geo. Howland Jr, Charles R. Tucker, William C. Taber, Edward W. Howland, Josiah Holmes Jr, Rufus Shearman and Charles Taber to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit these Institutions as way may open for in the Truth, carry out, as far as practicable, our Concern, in this important duty and report at a future Meeting —

The clerk reports, he has informed James Mitchell of San Francisco, that he has been recorded a member of this Meeting —

To the Monthly Meeting —

The joint Committee appointed in 4th mo. last on account of the request of Benjamin Wilson and his Wife Nancy Wilson to become members of our Religious Society report — that our interviews with them were in a good degree satisfactory and encouraging — We believe they are entirely sincere in the request upon the ground of religious conviction, and we are united in recommending that they be received into Membership —

Henry T. Wood　Eliza C. Davis
Edw. G. Dillingham　Azubah Cannon
6 mo. 26th 1873.　Anna G. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting —

The Committee appointed in 3d mo. 1871 to labor as way might open, in behalf of the inmates of the Jail, House of Correction and Alms house in this city present their report — Although in the direction of the concern, not so much has been Accomplished or undertaken as may have been desired and expected, yet it is believed

Common Jail
Alms House &c
Report

that the appointment of the Committee has not been without favorable results—

The visits which have been made by the Committee, individually and collectively to the institutions embraced in the concern have been it is believed in the line of Christian duty; and as we recall the impressions they made upon us, we feel assured that they had the approval of Him under whose direction and guidance we desire always to move, and we are encouraged to further effort in the same direction— The obligations on the part of the followers of Christ, individually and as a religious body to visit the destitute and the wandering, and labor for their relief and restoration admits of no questioning— We need not move outside the limits of this meeting, to find, in large numbers those who are embraced in the direct commands of the Savior by which he made the relief of the poor and the prisoner, one of the prominent and indispensable conditions of discipleship—

We have felt that the concern of the Monthly Meeting was in the right direction and in harmony with the letter and spirit of the Savior's teachings— We have felt that the movement we have originated, although imperfectly carried out, is justified and sustained by the almost universal activity, now pervading our society in the direction of benevolent and missionary effort—

And we would remark, that at no former period, have Christians and Christian organizations, thoughtful men and women and legislative bodies, been more deeply engaged in seeking out the most efficient methods by which crime may be prevented and the criminal reclaimed; by which pauperism may be diminished and poverty relieved; and by which the mournful consequences to soul and body which follow in the train of crime and destitution may be averted. The necessary limits of a report of this character will not allow us to enter into the details of what has been proposed or of what has been accomplished— In addition to what has been said as to results, it may not be improper for us to remark that, to some extent, both state and municipal action, have it is believed been favorably influenced by efforts which were prompted by the concern of this meeting— We think it may be profitable to continue the concern in the care of a Committee of this meeting—

For the Committee

New Bedford
6th mo 26th 1873.

James B. Congdon
William C. Taber
Rachel S. Howland
Anna G. Wood

7th mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7th mo. 24th 1873.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford - Jabez Wood, Jos. S. Tillinghast - Longplain Joshua L. Macomber and Edw. G. Dillingham who are present -

Our beloved friend Rufus P. King having

Rufus P King attended our Meeting in the 2d mo. last with Certificates from Walnut Ridge Mo. Meeting is again acceptably with us -

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

The following Communication having been received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting from George M. Snow

Geo M Snow of Erie, Pa. desiring his release from membership with us - We appoint our friends Wm G. Wing and Chas. R. Tucker to communicate with him on the subject and report at a future Meeting -

The friend appointed last Month to inform Benjamin Wilson and his Wife Nancy Wilson of their being admitted into membership with us, reports he has informed them.

We have received at this time 430 copies of London General Epistle and 165 copies of Printed minutes of our

Lond. Genl Epistle last Yearly Meeting, together with reports of the Boarding school Committee - Jonathan Cowen, Peter D. Slade, Edward T. Tucker, Edw. G. Dillingham, Wm G. Wing, John B. Baylies, Ezra Kelley, and Leburn Hiller are appointed a Committee to distribute them among our Members and others who are in the habit of attending our Meetings -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends -

The undersigned son of the late Samuel W. Snow having joined another religious society hereby requests to be formally disowned from your Meeting and Society.

Erie, Pa
July 11th 1873.

Respectfully
George M. Snow

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

8th Mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8th mo. 28th 1873
Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting
are from New Bedford – Albert W. Holmes, Jas. B. Congdon
Longplain, Jonathan Cowen and John R. Davis Jr who are present –
R B Taber Robert B. Taber and Annie P. Beard
& Anna P Beard the latter not a member of our Religious Society, having
proposals of by a written communication declared their intention of
Marriage taking each other in marriage, we appoint Gideon Wood
and Edward W. Howland a Committee to make the
necessary inquiry as to his clearness to proceed in Marriage,
the parties being requested to wait until our next
Mo. Meeting for an answer and it is concluded that
when this meeting adjourns, it adjourn to meet two weeks
from this day 9 mo 11th to hear and act upon the report
of Committee –
Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk

9 Mo 11. 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held by
Adjournment. adjournment 9th mo 11th 1873.
The Committee appointed at our last Meeting
to inquire into the clearness of Robert B. Taber to
proceed in Marriage with Annie P. Beard reported,
they found nothing to prevent, and having consent
of Parents and the concurrence of the Women's Meeting
they are allowed to solemnize said marriage in
accordance with the order of our Religious Society –
At the request of the Parties a meeting is appointed
to be held at the house of William A. Beard in this
city on Third day 9 mo 16th 1873 at Twelve M. for the
accomplishment of said marriage and we appoint
John B. Bayliss and Henry T. Wood to attend the
marriage, present the Certificate to our Recorder and
report to a future Meeting.
Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk

9mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9th mo 25th 1873.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Charles W. Craps, John F. Tucker - Longplain Seth S. Swift and Joseph K. Wing who are present -

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2d + 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting - We appoint our friends Gideon Wood, Seth S. Swift, Joshua L. Macomber, Ezra Kelley and Edward G. Dillingham to attend that Meeting as our Representatives -

Our beloved friend John Cartland attended

John Cartland this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Windham Mo. Meeting endorsed by Falmouth Quarterly Meeting expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present Religious engagements - his Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a Copy of this Minute -

The Committee appointed to have the

Robt. B. Taber Marriage Oversight of the Marriage of Robert B. Taber and Annie P. Beard report the marriage as having been Conducted in an Orderly Manner and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder -

The Committee appointed in the 7th mo. last to have the Care of the distribution among our members and others of Copies of the London Gen. Epistle and printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting - Report they have attended to that duty -

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

10th Mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10 mo. 23d 1873

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Rufus Shearman, Wm G. Wing - Longplain John Wood, Peter D. Slade who are present -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

A Communication received from the Clerk of Sandwich Qy Meeting informs us that our proportion of stock for the use of that Meeting is $816 - which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treas. of said Meeting, when in possession of the necessary funds - Our Treasurer is also requested to pay the Treas. of the Quarterly Mtg our proportion (viz $105.40) of the Fund called for by the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Indian affairs -

12th Mo 1873 The joint Committee appointed last year for the purpose of promoting and encouraging suitable education in our Society and especially scriptural instruction among our Members and those in attendance of our First day Schools made the following report – which being read proved interesting and satisfactory to us and we appoint our friends, Henry T. Wood, Seth K. Akin James B. Congdon, Richard Davis, Elnathan E. Delano, Josiah Holmes Jr, Rufus Shearman, Edw. G. Dillingham, John Wood Jr, Lilburn Hiller, Joshua L. Macomber Arnold G. Tripp, John R. Davis Jr, Joseph K. King and Isaac L. Cowen a Committee upon this subject to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, and they are encouraged to diligence in the use of all necessary means to the accomplishment of this important object, and are requested to report to this Meeting next year –

Report & App. of Committee on Education

We concur with the Women's Meeting in granting the request of Mary B. Bradford to be released from Membership with us –

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee under appointment to promote and encourage education in our Society, and especially to aid the cause of scriptural instruction – report – that no organized effort has been made upon the subject of secular education; while we believe that the needed effort is in most cases cheerfully made to secure a practical education for our Youth – A number of our Younger Members are also continuing their studies at Academies and Colleges and of these, Friend's School at Providence receives the greater proportion –

First Day Schools. Scriptural instruction has demanded the care and attention of the Committee, and considerable effort has been made during the year to aid and encourage our First-day schools in their interesting work – These schools have been maintained at New Bedford and at Mattapoisett during the Year – In the former a diminished attendance is reported, which we apprehend has been owing in part to the absence of more of the adult Members of the Meeting than was at one time the case – Renewed effort and an awakened interest is now however apparent here, which it is hoped will increase the numbers and usefulness of the School –

A Bible class is kept up at Acushnet which though small, is believed to be interesting and useful

10 mo 1873 to the little company.
Friends of Longplain continue as formerly to
assemble, at the close of their Meeting, for reading and
recitation of selections from the scriptures. This has also
we believe been attended with beneficial results—
While from a general view this important
subject has apparently received less of the interest and
concern of Friends than in some former years, the
Committee are still hopeful and by no means discouraged
in the retrospect—

For the Committee
10th mo. 22d 1873. Henry T. Wood
Mary C. Baylies

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

11th Mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11th mo. 27th 1873.
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting
are from New Bedford, John F. Tucker, Edw W. Howland
Longplain Jonathan Cowen & Jno. R. Davis Jr who are present,
except two for whose absence satisfactory reasons were assigned.
Our beloved friend, Allen Jay attended
Allen Jay this Meeting and presented testimonials from Springfield
Mo. Meeting, Guilford Co., North Carolina expressing
unity with him as a Minister and with his present
religious engagements— his Company and Gospel services
have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to
furnish him with a copy of this minute—
The Queries were read with answers from
Queries our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2nd & 10th a summary
of which was approved and directed to be forwarded
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and have appointed
our friends Jos. Grinnell, Richard Davis, Charles Taber
and David S. Wood to attend that Meeting as our
Representatives—
George Alvin Potter and Anna Wingate
Geo A Potter & Frost neither of them members of our Religious Society,
Anna W Frost but who frequently attend our religious Meetings having
proposals of by written Communication declared their intention
Marriage of taking each other in Marriage according to the good
order used among us— We appoint James B. Congdon and
Geo. Howland Jr a Committee to make the necessary inquiry as
to his clearness to proceed in Marriage with Anna W.
Frost and the parties are requested to wait until our next
Monthly Meeting for an answer—

11th Mo 1873 The following request from Charles W. Ryder
to become a Member of our Religious Society was presented
Chas W Ryder at this time by the Overseers, read and considered -
Request - We appoint Chas. R. Tucker, Henry T. Wood & Josiah Holmes Jr
a Committee to visit him on Account of his request and
report at a future Meeting -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting -

Dear friends,

For some time there has been a deep feeling of unity in my heart with you as a society and I have been Convinced of the truth of your principles and doctrines -

I have felt called to be true to my convictions - and have taken up my testimony in favor of them - Believing it to be my duty to more perfectly identify myself with them, after earnest waiting upon God for wisdom - I desire of you to become of your number, that I may come under your care and love -

Yours in Gospel bonds
11th mo 19th 1873. Chas. W. Ryder

Attest - Matthew Howland, Clerk.

12 Mo 1873 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12th mo. 25th 1873.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Jos. T. Tillinghast, John B. Baylies - Longplain John Wood & Jos. R Wing who are present -

The Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they were all present.

The Committee appointed last month to inquire as to the clearness of George Almy Potter to proceed in marriage with Anna Wingate Frost report they find nothing in the way, and having consent of Parents and the Concurrence of the Women's Meeting, they are allowed to solemnize said Marriage in accordance with the order of our Religious society - at the request of the Parties, a Meeting is appointed to be held at the house at Rockdale recently occupied by Joshua W. Frost on Second day 1st mo. 12th 1874 at 8 oclock P. M. for the accomplishment of said Marriage and we appoint Henry T. Wood and Josiah Holmes Jr a Committee to attend the marriage, present the Certificate to our Recorder and report to our next Meeting - The Clerk is requested to notify the Parties of our conclusion as above -

The Committee appointed last month to visit

12mo 1873 Charles W. Ryder on acc. of his request to become
a member of our Religious society, made the following
report — which being read and considered was fully
Chas W Ryder united with and having the concurrence of the Women's
Received as a Meeting, we admit him a member of our Society and
Member — Henry T. Wood is appointed to inform him —

We appoint our friends James B. Congdon, Rufus
Shearman, Jos. Grinnell, John Wood, Richard Davis, Edw. W.
Com to examine Howland, Jos. R. Wing and Arnold G. Tripp a Committee
Treas Acct &c to examine and settle the Treasurer's Accounts, propose a
sum necessary to be raised for the use of this meeting
the ensuing year and the name of a Friend for Treasurer —
Take into consideration the subject of a New apportionment
for the Preparative Meetings and any other financial question
which may appear to need adjustment — Also audit the
several Trust funds under our care and report to this
meeting next month —

To the Monthly Meeting

We have had an interview
with Charles W. Ryder respecting his request to be admitted
to membership in our Society — His conviction of the
truth of our leading principles appears to be clear and
undoubted, and we believe his application is from a
feeling of religious duty —

We unite in recommending that he be received into
membership —

New Bedford } Charles R. Tucker
12th mo 24th 1873 } Josiah Holmes Jr
Henry T. Wood

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

1mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1st mo. 22d 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting
are from New Bedford James H. Tripp, Joseph Taber,
Longplain Peter D. Slade and Richard Davis who are present —

The Committee appointed last month to
Geo A Potter have the oversight of the marriage of George Almy
Marriage Potter and Anna W. Frost report the marriage
as having been accomplished in a satisfactory manner
and the meeting on the occasion was one of interest —
the certificate has been delivered to the Recorder —

The Committee appointed to examine & settle
the Treasurer's Acc. and for other purposes made the
following report which being read and considered, was

1st. Mo 1874. accepted and in accordance therewith Henry T. Wood is appointed Treasurer of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Auditors Report

John F. Tucker, John B. Baylies, Jonathan Cowen and Holder Howland are appointed a Committee to receive the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $1400.00 the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this meeting, pay the same to our Treasurer and present his receipt when Accomplished.

Committee on Charitable fund

We appoint our friends William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood, Edw. W. Howland and Geo. Howland Jr. a Committee to have the care and distribution for the ensuing year, of the income arising from the Charitable Fund belonging to this meeting.

Educational fund

Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richard Davis, Edw. G. Dillingham and Chas. R. Tucker are appointed a Committee to have the Care and distribution for the ensuing year of the income arising from the Educational Fund.

Com. to visit ex Members &c

The joint Committee appointed in 12th mo. 1870 in Accordance with the advice of our Yearly Meeting for the purpose of visiting in love and affectionate interest those who have been members of our Society, and have for various causes lost the right of membership, as well as for the descendants of such and also other non members who manifest an attachment to Friends by attending our Meetings made the following report, which being read and Considered was Accepted and in Accordance therewith we appoint our friends - William C. Taber, Rufus Shearman, James B. Congdon Chas. R. Tucker, Richard Davis, William G. Wing, Edw. G. Dillingham, Charles Taber, Henry T. Wood, Jos. R. Wing, Gideon Wood, Matthew Howland Ezra Kelley, Joshua L. Macomber, Jabez Wood, Peter D. Slade a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women Friends to visit those referred to, within the limits of our Mo. Meeting as way may open and report to this Meeting when prepared.

A.E. Wilcox Received

We concur with the Women's Meeting in receiving Ann Eliza Wilcox as a member of our Religious Society.

The friend appointed last month to inform Charles W. Ryder of his having been received into membership with us, reports he has informed him.

1st mo 1874 We appoint our friends Wm G. Wing & Jos. L. Tillinghast, a Committee to prepare a Removal certificate to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Edw. H. Winslow and present the same for our Consideration —

To the Monthly Meeting —

The joint Committee appointed

Com. on ex members Report in 12th mo. 1870 on the concern of this Meeting in behalf of those who have been Members of our Society and have from various causes lost the right of membership as well as for the descendants of such, and also for other Non members who manifest an attachment to Friends by attending our Meetings report that we have given attention to this important duty and have from time to time visited individuals of the different classes referred to, and in a number of instances with encouraging result —

We are united in belief that further labor in this direction may be useful and would recommend that a new appointment be made for that service —

For the Committee

New Bedford } Wm C. Taber
1 mo 6th 1874 } Sarah H. Anthony

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee of the Monthly meeting appointed 2 mo. 20th 1873 to examine & settle the treasurer's account; to propose a sum necessary to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year; to name a friend for treasurer; to take into consideration the subject of a new appointment for the preparative Meetings: to take into consideration

Auditors Report any other financial question which appears to need adjustment & to audit the several trust funds under our care, would now — Report all the accounts embraced in the minute of appointment have been examined.

The account of Henry T. Wood Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting. The treasurer charges himself with

Dividinds & Inter	223.27
Contribution	10.
Long Plain Preparative Meeting Con	290.
New Bedford	160.
	$683.27

The treasurer charges the Monthly Meeting with

1st Mo 1874 balance due him at the close of last year $56.12
amount paid Quarterly meeting $1355. Indian quota $15.40
Quarterly Meeting expenses $30.06 relief of the poor $63.00
total $1520.58 shewing a balance due the treasurer of $3.73
This account is correct.

The trust funds, the income of which is embraced in this account, are twenty one shares
Report of Com. to Settle Treas. acc &c
of stock in the National Bank of Commerce $2100. & one bond U.S. Government $500. in the hands of the treasurer.

Susan Howland Trust Fund — The account of Henry T. Wood Treas. with this fund is as follows; receipts 3 coupons (each $30.) $90. payments to six individuals $60. interest advanced on transfer of bond $5. balance on hand unexpended $25. This account is approved.

The principal of this fund is represented by a bond for one thousand dollars issued by the City of New Bedford, in the hands of our treasurer.

Abraham Shearman Junior Educational Fund — The statement of the committee having charge of this fund is as follows: credit, balance of the old account $205.60 dividends received $33. total $238.60; charge paid for tuition at Providence School $100. leaving a balance unexpended of $138.60. The committee are perfectly satisfied with this account. The fund is represented by fourteen shares of stock in the hands of the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting.

Abraham Shearman Junior Charitable Fund The committee of management report as follows: credits, balance on hand at the close of the year 1872, $165.79, dividends received $61.50 total $227.29; payments, there has been disbursed during the year, in 33 payments ranging from $3 to $10 averaging $5.72, $189. showing an unexpended balance of $38.29. We believe this expenditure has been judiciously made & that the relief afforded was in every case of a character contemplated by him who provided the means. This account was correctly stated.

The fund consists of 17 shares of the stock of the Merchants National Bank the certificates of which are held by the treasurer.

John West Charitable Fund. — This fund is administered by trustees appointed by the Monthly Meeting. They present the following statement; credits, balance of the account of 1872, $55.55 dividends received $617. total $672.55

1 Mo. 1874 disbursements, ninety four separate payments have been made from $2. to $12. each the average being $5 1/3 amounting to $500. leaving unexpended in the hands of the trustees $72.55. The remarks made in connection with the A. Shearman Jr. Charitable Fund are fully applicable here. It is a noble charity wisely administered. The account is correctly stated. The funds are 20 shares of stock in the First National Bank [illegible] shares of stock in the Merchants National Bank, in the hands of the trustees.

Abner Pease Long Plain Preparative Meeting Fund. Account of the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting as presented before the committee by Matthew Howland. The account presented by him is as follows; balance of account of 8/12, $1.34 dividends received $3051.87 total $3,053.21; the payments have been as follows, for taxes $97.49 to Jonathan Cowin on his receipts $2,690. balance remaining in the hands of the Overseers $265.72

The following is a description of the securities held by the Monthly Meeting connected with this fund. They are held by Matthew Howland, one of the Overseers, who has been charged by that body with their custody; 55 shares of stock in the National Bank of Commerce entered at par $5500., 60 shares of stock in the Merchants National Bank @130. $7800., 40 shares of stock in the First National Bank @120 $4800., 31 shares of stock in the Mechanics National Bank @par $3100., 80 shares of stock in the National Bank of Fairhaven @80 $6400., 12 shares of stock in the Boston & Providence Railroad at par $1200., 3 shares of stock in the Gosnold Mills @par $300., to the New England Yearly Meeting $500., 5 Bonds U.S. Government each $1000. 8% pr [illegible]., 5 Bonds U.S. Government each $1000. @par $5000, total $[illegible]. Value as here appraised forty thousand dollars. We have found this account correctly stated.

In connection with this fund another account has been presented to the committee for examination. It consists of a statement by Jonathan Cowen Treas. of the expenditures made by him of the funds paid to him, upon his receipts by the Overseers of the Monthly Meeting as shown in the account of the Overseers as represented by Matthew Howland

1st. Mo. 1874

In this statement we find the credits as follows: balance of the account, mo. 1, 1873, $282.21 cash received from the overseers through Matthew Howland $2,690. total $2,972.21. The other side of the account shows payments amounting to $2,133.85 showing a balance in the hands of Jonathan Cowen of $838.36.

Audit of Trust-fund;

This account was examined & the committee placed upon the book presented to them, in connection with the statement the following.

"The undersigned, the auditing committee of the New Bedford Quarterly Meeting, have examined this account. We find the credits correct. For the expenditure vouchers were presented for each payment & the amount is as stated. The payments seem to be in accordance with the usage which has heretofore obtained with regard to the expenditures from this fund."

This finishes the action of the committee in relation to their duties as auditors.

Number two of the subjects submitted to the committee was, to propose a sum necessary to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year.

The committee propose that the sum of fourteen hundred dollars be raised for this purpose. This amount is intended to include the sum advanced by Henry T. Wood as relief in a case of necessity & privation, & a like amount for the present year.

Number three was to name a treasurer for the Monthly Meeting. The committee are unanimous in proposing to the meeting Henry T. Wood for that office.

The fourth subject as we have arranged them is stated in the minute as follows; to take into consideration the subject of a new apportionment for the Preparative Meetings.

The committee have taken the subject of the apportionment into consideration, but they are not prepared to recommend any change in the existing arrangements at this time.

The remaining proposition number five on our list is stated as follows; to take into consideration any other financial question which appears to need adjustment.

1mo 1874 Under this head were two subjects which were presented to the committee.

1. The disposition which should be made of certain claims presented by Henry T. Wood for advances made by him for the support of a dependent member of our society. The disposition made of this subject fully appears in that part of our report which relates to the sum to be raised for the use of the meeting the present year.

2. The question whether the expenditures which have been made from the income of the funds, of which the male overseers of this meeting are the trustees, which have been placed in our charge under the will of Abner Pease, had been in strict accordance with the conditions & obligations of the trust as set forth in the decree of the Supreme Court, came properly before the committee under this portion of the minute as well as under that which refers to the audit.

As it was evident that no decision could be arrived at, the subject was not pressed. We have already stated what endorsement was made upon the account presented. The Monthly Meeting can, at any time when it shall think proper, give such attention to this subject as Friends may think that the obligations of the trusteeship call for.

On behalf of the Committee
James B. Congdon
Edw. W. Howland
attest Matthew Howland clerk.

2dmo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2d mo. 26th 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford James B. Congdon and B. Franklin Howland who are present. Long Plain no account received.

The Committee appointed last month to receive the contributions of Friends to the amount of $1400. the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year presented at this time the Treasurer's receipt for $1120. the amount of New Bedford Preparative Mtg's quota.

The following request of Wm. Foster Mitchell for a removal certificate to Salem Mo. Meeting being presented and read - we appoint Henry T. Wood & Chs. R. Tucker to prepare a certificate and present it to our next Mo. Meeting -

2d Mo 1874 We concur with the Womens meeting in a Removal certificate to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Rebecca Winslow—

We also Concur with the same Meeting in Accepting the resignation of Marcia S. Parker and Sarah B. Delano to their right of membership—

Request of A.V. Wilbur for Membership The following request of Adelaide V. Wilbur, wife of Noah H. for herself and their 4 minor children viz. Edward P., Elizabeth G., Herbert R. and Arthur T. Wilbur to become members of our Religious Society being read and considered, we appoint Henry T. Wood & Edw. G. Dillingham to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on acc. of this request and report to a future meeting—

We appoint our friends Gideon Wood, Richard Davis, Com. to examine Records John B. Baylies and Jonathan Cowen a Committee to examine the Records of this Meeting, ascertain if all births, deaths and Removals have been duly recorded also the total number of members now belonging to this meeting and report next month—

The Committee appointed last month to prepare E H Winslow Removal to Dartmouth a Removal Certificate to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Edw. H. Winslow presented one at this time which being read was approved, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting and the clerk was directed to sign it and forward it to that meeting.

The following request of the Overseers of this meeting, to "the Representative Meeting" in relation to the management of income from Abner Pease fund, and their report through a Committee, has been considered and adopted, and the Overseers of this Meeting are directed to act in accordance with said advice. The minute made in 7th mo. 1866 in reference to the payment of income from Abner Pease Fund is now null and void—

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting—

If you think it right to grant me a certificate to Salem Mo. Meeting, I shall be glad to have you do so.

Lynn
2d mo 24th 1874. William T. Mitchell.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends,

I have for some time desired, if Friends are willing, to become a member of your society, and that my children Edward P., Elizabeth G., Herbert R. and Arthur T. Wilbur should be admitted also with which my husband unites.

Adelaide V. Wilbur.

2nd mo. 17th 1874.

2 Mo. 1874 At a "Representative Meeting" held at Providence 2nd mo 4th 1874. "The following request is recd at this time from the Overseers of New Bedford Mo. Meeting residing in New Bedford viz. To the Representative Meeting of New England - New Bedford Mo. Mtg in the management of a trust fund desires the advice of the Representative Meeting -
On behalf of the Overseers residing in New Bedford
Charles R. Tucker.
New Bedford 2nd mo 2nd 1874.

Whereupon we appoint Charles F. Coffin, Samuel H. Colton, George Bowen and Richard Battey a Committee on the part of this Meeting to render such advice to all the parties in interest as in their judgement may seem proper.
Wm. O. Newhall, clerk.

To the Overseers of New Bedford Mo. Meeting and all others whom it may concern.

Management of Pease Fund The Committee appointed by the "Representative Mtg" of New England Yearly Mtg of Friends at the request of some of the Overseers of New Bedford Mo. Mtg, in relation to the management of a Trust - "to render such advice to all the parties in interest, as in their judgement may seem proper" - Report the following in regard to the management of the Abner Pease Trust fund viz As it is decreed that the Fund for the benefit of Long plain Preparative meeting is to be held & administered by the Overseers of New Bedford Mo. Mtg as the legal Trustees - they become responsible to the Courts for its right administration - It is their imperative duty therefore to know and to see that all income from the fund, is expended precisely for the purposes enumerated by the Court in its decree - viz. "the maintenance of religious worship & schools, aiding the sick and the poor, and the purchase & repair of burying grounds" - and for no other purposes whatever - They should keep an accurate Account of all receipts & expenditures with a proper voucher for every payment and such Account should be settled and balanced every year -

The Overseers should also make up an Account of all the receipts & expenditures of the fund, from the time their Trusteeship began, until the present time - placing on file vouchers to show that all the income has been properly applied - They will then be prepared at any moment, to answer a summons to Court, to give an Account of their Trusteeship - The statutes of the Commonwealth and the discipline of our own Society require this. Signed

New Bedford Richard Batty, Chas. F. Coffin,
2nd mo. 17th 1874. Geo. Bowen, Saml H. Colton } Com.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

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3^d Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3^rd 26^th 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford John F. Tucker, Henry T. Wood- [illegible] Edw^d G. Dillingham & Arnold G. Tripp who are present.

Queries — The Queries were read at this time with Answers from our Preparative Meetings, from which a summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly meeting. We have appointed our friends Rufus Shearman, [illegible], Richard Davis, John B. Baylies and Chas. R. Tucker to attend it as our Representatives.

The Committee appointed last month to examine our Records in Accordance with the recommendation of the Discipline, made the following report which being read was Acceptable and Satisfactory.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we appoint our friends George Howland Jr, Edw. W. Howland, Jos. Grinnell, Arnold G. Tripp, Peter D. Slade and Joshua L. Macomber to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends and report to our next Monthly Meeting the names of suitable friends to act in that Capacity for the year ensuing.

Removal Wm F. Mitchell to Salem — The Committee appointed last month to prepare a Removal certificate to Salem Mo. Meeting on behalf of Wm Foster Mitchell presented one at this time, which was approved with Concurrence of the Women's Meeting and the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf and forward it to that Meeting.

We concur with the Women's meeting in accepting Removal certificates from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Hetty H. Wing, Rachel R. Lawton, wife of Wm Lawton and Mary Elizabeth Smith wife of Benjamin Smith.

Received A V Wilbur & 4 Children — The Committee appointed last month to unite with a Com. of Women friends to visit Adelaide V. Wilbor and Children on Account of her request made the following report which being read was accepted and in Concurrence with the Women's Meeting they are admitted as members of our Religious society and Edw. G. Dillingham is appointed to inform them.

Correspondent Geo Howland Jr — Our late dear friend Wm P. Howland who was Correspondent of this meeting for a number of years having deceased, we appoint George Howland Jr. to that station.

To the Monthly Meeting.

In Accordance with our appointment

3 mo 1874 we have examined the Records of this meeting and believe they have been correctly kept, and find the number of members now on record 374. Within the past year there have been five members received by request viz.— Alphonse L. Cutland, Benjamin Wilson & Wife Nancy J., Charles H. Ryder, & Ann Eliza Wilcox— There have been three removals by Certificates viz Thos. Wood, Rebecca Winslow and Edw. H. Winslow— Six removals by death viz Sarah D. Wing, Geo. W. Baker Jr, Abm. Delano, Lydia Russell, Cornelius Macomber, and Eliza Brookhouse;— Released from society four— James Robinson, Sarah B. Delano, Susan F. Parker and Mary B. Bradford— Making our loss 13 members and accessions 5— Whole decrease for year 8—

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford 3d mo 25th 1874. Gideon Wood

To the Monthly Meeting—

We have conferred with Adelaide V. Wilbor Wife of Noah Henry Wilbor on account of her request for herself and minor Children viz Edward P., Elizabeth G., Herbert R. and Arthur T. Wilbor to be received into Membership with us— We believe she is sincere in her request, and we are united in recommending that her request be granted—

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford 3rd mo 23, 1874. Dorcas F. Tucker

Henry T. Wood

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

4th Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4th mo. 23d 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Tabor, Wm. G. Wing, Longplain Edmund C. [illegible] and Joseph R. Wing who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended—

The Committee appointed last month to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers of this meeting made a report at this time, which being read and considered, it was concluded with the concurrence of Women's Meeting, to refer the subject to the same Committee to report next month.—

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

5th Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5th mo 28th 1874

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr, Albert W. Holmes - Longplain, Jonathan Cowen and Lilburn Hiller who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned -

Clerks - The time for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, Geo. Howland Jr on behalf of the Representatives proposed the name of Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk, which being united with, they are Accordingly appointed to those stations for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

Sarah T Reynolds Our beloved friend Sarah K. Reynolds attended this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Providence M. Meeting, expressing unity with her as a Minister and with her present religious engagements - her company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute -

Overseers The Committee which was appointed to select the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers of this Meeting, and continued from last month, made the following report, which being considered was Accepted and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting We appoint our friends Matthew Howland, Charles R. Tucker, William G. Wing, Edw. G. Dillingham, Abraham Gifford, Joshua L. Macomber and Matthew Barney to Act as Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment - We also concur with the Women's Meeting in the appointment of Sarah M. Howland, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Rhoda T. Gifford, Ann A. Macomber, Betsy Hiller, Susan Tripp and Sarah Swain as Overseers for the year ensuing -

N H Wilbur Recd from Providence A Removal Certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Noah Hervey Wilbur was read & accepted with the concurrence of the Women's meeting -

Received Alice Slocum a Member We concur with the Women's meeting in receiving Alice Slocum, daughter of Peleg Slocum, as a member of our Religious society -

Overseers of Poor The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired we are united in the reappointment of Rufus Shearman, George Howland Jr, Matthew Howland, John Wood, Richard Davis, Joshua L. Macomber and Matthew Barney to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

Received A M Hoag from Salem We concur with the Womens Meeting in receiving a Removal certificate from Salem Mo. Meeting on behalf of Abby M. Hoag -

5th Mo 1874 To the Monthly Meeting—

The Joint Committee appointed to select the names of Friends for Overseers have agreed upon the following viz. Matthew Howland, Chas. R. Tucker, William G. Wing, Edw. G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber Abraham Gifford, Matthew Barney, Rhoda T. Gifford, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Sarah M. Howland, Betsey Hiller, Ann A. Macomber, Susan Tripp and Sarah Swain,

Dorcas F. Tucker, Charlotte Cowen, Geo. Howland Jun.
Betsey Hiller, Edw. W. Howland
Hannah H. Sears, Arnold G. Tripp
Ann A. Macomber, Joshua L. Macomber
Anna G. Wood Peter D. Slade
Committee.

New Bedford 5th mo 20th 1874.

Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

6th Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6th mo. 25th 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Henry T. Wood, Ezra Kelley—Longplain Jonathan Cowen and Richard Davis who are present—

Elwood Ozbun
Allen Jay

Our beloved friends Elwood Ozbun of Chesnut Hill Mo. Meeting, Iowa and Allen Jay of Springfield Mo. Meeting North Carolina, attended this Meeting and presented testimonials from their respective meetings, endorsed by their Quarterly Meetings expressing unity with them as Ministers of the Gospel and with their present religious engagements— their Company and religious labors have been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each respectively—

Harriet N Jones

Our beloved friend Harriet N. Jones of Litchfield Mo. Meeting held at Winthrop, Maine attended this Meeting and presented a Certificate from her Meeting expressing unity with her as a minister and with her present Religious engagements— her Company & Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us— and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a Copy of this Meeting—

Our beloved friends Lydia Ozbun of Chesnut Hill Mo. Meeting, Iowa and Martha A. Jay of Springfield Mo. Meeting North Carolina the latter an Elder attended this meeting as Companions to their husbands, above named and presented Certificates from their respective meetings, expressing unity with them and with their present Religious engagements. Their company and solid deportment have been Acceptable

6th Mo 1874 to us and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each -

Queries The Queries were read, with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d, + 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Charles Taber, Edw. G. Dillingham, William G. Wing and Matthew Howland to attend that meeting as our Representatives -

Geo R Wood Removed to Philadelphia George R. Wood having requested a Removal Certificate to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting for Western District We appoint Seth K. Akin and Wm G. Wing to take the necessary care in the case and report to our Next Mo. Meeting -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

7th Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7th mo. 23d 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr, Alex. Hillman - Longplain - Lilburn Hiller and Peter D. Slade who are present except two -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

The Committee appointed last month on Account of the request of George R. Wood for a Removal Certificate to Philadelphia Mo. Mtg for Western District - Report, that nothing appeared to prevent issuing one on his behalf which being now prepared, is approved and having Concurrance of the Women's Meeting, the clerk is directed to sign it and forward it to said Meeting -

Q. Meeting Stock A Communication received from the clerk of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting informs us that our proportion of stock for the use of that Meeting is $1020. which our Treasurer is requested to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when in funds - Our Treasurer is also requested to pay over to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting our proportion of the sum called for by the Yearly Meeting's ~~for~~ Committee on Indian affairs viz $168.64 —

8mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8th mo. 27. 1874

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford John B. Baker, Edw. T. Tucker Longplain Jos. R. King and Gilbert Hiller who are present.

The following request of Esther Hammett

Request of Esther Hammett for herself and two minor children Russell P. and Dalmore A. Hammett to become members of our Religious society being read and considered, we appoint our friends Edw. G. Dillingham and Richard Davis to unite with a similar Committee from the Womens Meeting to visit them on account of their request and report to a future Meeting.

We have received 165 copies of the Printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and 42 copies of History of Boston Meeting house and appoint Albert W. Holmes, John Wood, Jos. R. King, Joshua L. Macomber, Edw. T. Tucker, and James Davis a Committee to distribute them among our Members and others who are in the habit of attending our Meetings.

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting.

I have for sometime felt desirous to be united with Friends and now make the request, if it should meet your approbation, and also for my two minor children Russell P. and Dalmore A. Hammett.

8th mo 25th 1874. Esther Hammett.

Attest Matthew Howland clerk

9mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9th mo 24th 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford, B Franklin Howland, Robt. B. Taber. Longplain Peter D. Slade & Jonathan Cowen who are present.

The Queries were read in this Meeting with

Queries answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends John Wood, John F. Tucker, Rufus Shearman and Edw. G. Dillingham to attend it as our Representatives.

Received J S Wright & wife & two Children A Removal certificate from Salem Mo. Meeting on behalf of John Smithson Wright and his Wife Sarah Elizabeth with their minor children Jonathan Arnold, and Annie Kathleen being read was accepted with concurrence of Womens Meeting.

We have received at this time 400 copies of the

9th Mo 1874 London general Epistle for this year – the Committee appointed last month for the distribution of documents are requested to take charge of them and distribute them among our members and others who are in the habit of attending our Meetings –

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

10th Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10th mo. 22d 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford William G. Wing, Charles W. Capo – Long plain Jonathan Cowen and Arnold G. Tripp who are present except two, for the absence of one of these a satisfactory reason was given –

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report their attendance with one exception, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned –

The following Complaint received from the Overseers through New Bedford Preparative Meeting being read and considered, we appoint our friends John F. Tucker, James B. Congdon, Wm G. Wing and Gideon Wood our Committee to visit him on this Account & report to a future Meeting –

Geo Richardson & S M. Howland propose Marriage — George Richardson and Sarah M. Howland having by a written communication declared their intention of taking each other in marriage – the parties are requested to wait until our next Monthly Meeting for an Answer –

To the Monthly Meeting –

The Overseers have good ground for believing, that Andrew M. Howland has been pursuing an immoral Course of life for some time past, and it appears to be our duty to present the Case to the Meeting

Charles R. Tucker
New Bedford 10th mo 13. 1874. Wm G. Wing Overseers

Attest Matthew Howland clerk.

11th Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11th mo 26th 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Samuel Rodman, Peleg Slocum – Longplain Jos. R. Wing & Noah Hervey Wilbur who are present –

The Queries were read at this time with Answers

Queries from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, Jos. T. Tillinghast, John Wood, Edw. G. Dillingham and Alphonse Cartland to attend it as our Representatives

George Richardson and Sarah M. Howland

11th Mo 1874 having last month declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to prevent and having the concurrance of the Womens Meeting they are allowed to solemnize said Marriage in Accordance with the order of our Religious Society- And we appoint Henry T. Wood and William C. Taber a Committee to attend the marriage, present the Certificate to our Recorder and report to a future meeting-

Report of Com. on Education

The joint Committee appointed last year for the purpose of promoting and encouraging suitable education in our Society, especially Scriptural instruction among our members and others in attendance of our First-day schools made the following report — which being read & considered proved interesting and Acceptable to us and we appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, James B. Congdon, Noah Hervey Wilbur, Peleg Slocum, Charles Taber, Jonathan Cowen, Rufus Shearman, John Wood Jr, John S. Wright, Richard Davis Jr, David S. Wood, Joshua L. Macomber, and Wm D. Eldridge a Committee upon this subject for the following year, to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, and they are encouraged to use all the available means in their power for the Accomplishment of this desirable object and are requested to report to this meeting next year -

A M Howland Disowned

The Committee appointed last month to visit Andrew M. Howland on Account of the Complaint of Overseers against him, made the following report — which being read and considered was accepted and with concurrance of the Womens Meeting we disown him and appoint John T. Tucker and Joseph Holmes Jr to inform him thereof -

The Committee appointed in the 8th Mo. last to distribute printed Documents among our Members and others, report the duty has been performed throughout the several meetings belonging to this Monthly Meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed last month to visit Andrew M. Howland, on Account of the complaint made by the Overseers report- That we have had an interview with him on the subject of the Complaint - He admitted that he had violated the Discipline, that he had rendered himself liable to dis-ownment, and showed no disposition to controvert the rightfulness of the complaint - He expressed himself with kindness toward Friends; and while he manifested a preference as to the method, the Meeting might take in the case, he also manifested a disposition to submit to its Action -

He desired that these declarations of kindness might be

11th Mo 1874 communicated to the Meeting; and also his wish that
the bonds which united him with the society might
be severed by an Acceptance of his resignation; saying in this
connection, that during the long period which had elapsed
since he attended a Meeting of Friends, no care towards
him had been extended by the society.

New Bedford
11th mo. 25th 1874.

John F. Tucker
Wm G. Wing
James B. Congdon
Gideon Wood, Comtee

Attest Matthew Howland clerk,

12th Mo 1874 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12th mo 24th 1874.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from
New Bedford Edward T. Tucker, Henry T. Wood - Longplain
Benjamin W. Slade & Seth S. Swift who are present -

Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report
their attendance with one exception for whose Absence a
satisfactory reason was assigned -

Com. to Audit We appoint our friends James B. Congdon, Joseph
Treas. a/c &c R. Wing, Richard Davis and John F. Tucker a Committee
to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account, propose a
sum necessary to be raised for the use of this Meeting the
ensuing year and the name of a Friend for Treasurer -
Also, audit the several Trust funds under our care and
report to our next meeting -

The Committee appointed to take the Oversight
of Funerals and the care of Burial grounds made the
following report - which being read and considered was
Com. on Funerals Accepted and we appoint our friends Charles R. Tucker,
Edw. W. Howland, Gideon Wood, Geo. Howland Jr. Matthew
Howland, Henry T. Wood, Rufus Shearman, James M. Tripp,
John B. Bayles, Richard Davis, Jonathan Cowen, Jos. R. Wing,
Edw. G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber, Lilburn Hiller,
Arnold G. Tripp, David S. Wood, Charles Taber, Peleg Slocum,
Robert B. Taber, John F. Tucker and Matthew Barney to
that service for the year ensuing or until another appoint-
ment and they are encouraged to attend faithfully to the
duty assigned them and report to this meeting next year.

The Committee appointed in the 8th mo.
Received last to visit Esther Hammett on Account of her request
E Hammett for herself and minor children Russell P. and Valmore A.
+ two Children Hammett to be received into membership with us
made the following report which being read and

12 mo 1874 considered was Accepted and we unite with the Women's meeting in receiving them as members of our Religious Society and Richard Davis is appointed to inform them -

The Committee appointed last month to inform Andrew M. Howland of the conclusion of this meeting in his case report they have informed him -

The subject of Temperance being brought before us as recommended by our last Yearly Meeting we appoint
Com. on Temperance our friends Jas. B. Congdon, Charles Taber, John F. Tucker, Henry T. Wood, Joshua L. Macomber, Samuel Rodman, Edw. G. Dillingham and Matthew Howland a Committee to take such action as in their judgement may seem best to promote and encourage among our members, total abstinence from all intoxicating beverages and to discourage the use and sale of intoxicating Liquors in the Community, and report to this meeting next year -

The Committee appointed to attend
Geo. Richardson Marriage the marriage of George Richardson and Sarah M. Howland report the marriage orderly and satisfactorily conducted and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder -

The following Communication having been received from the "Representative Meeting" was read and considered
Help for Kansas and we appoint Wm C. Taber, Henry T. Wood Matthew Howland, Geo. Howland Jr. Jonathan Cowen, Edw. G. Dillingham and Jos. R. Wing a Committee to solicit contributions & Clothing of our Members and others for the destitute and suffering within the limits of Kansas Yearly Meeting and forward the same as directed.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to take the oversight of Funerals and the care of Burial grounds
Com. on Funerals Report report - that all funerals attended by Friends, as well our own Members, as of others where the care of Friends has been requested, have been attended by some of our number - Care has also been taken in most of these cases of bereavement to be prompt in tendering assistance to the family, and advice when it appeared to be needed -

The interments in the several burial grounds belonging to Friends have been as follows - In New Bedford 8 - Longplain 1 - Acushnet 2 - Mattapoisett 1 - Total 12 - Of this number eight were members of our Religious Society -

The grounds are all in pretty good order - At Longplain a substantial stone wall around the ground is nearly completed and in other respects it appears to be cared for -

For the Committee
12th mo. 24th 1874. Henry T. Wood
Richard Davis.

over.

12mo 1874 To the Monthly Meeting.

We the Committee appointed to confer with Esther Hammet on Account of her request for herself and two minor children viz Russel P. and Valmore A. Hammet to be admitted into membership with our religious society report - We have had several opportunities with her on the subject and most of us are united in beleiving it best to grant the request and receive them into membership with us - but submit it to the judgement of the Meeting

Eliza C. Davis Richard Davis
12th mo 24th 1874. Susan Hempton Edw. G. Dillingham

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

1st Mo 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1st mo 28th 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford William G. Wing, John Wood Jr. Longplain Jonathan Cowen & Edw. G. Dillingham who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned -

R P King Our beloved friend Rufus P. King attended this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Spiceland Mo. Meeting, Henry Co. Indiana endorsed by Spiceland Quarterly Meeting expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements - his company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute -

H T Wood Treasurer The Committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers' Acc. and for other purposes made the following report - which being read was Accepted and in Accordance therewith we appoint Henry T. Wood Treas. of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment and John B. Baylies, John F. Tucker, Arnold G. Tripp and Edward T. Tucker are appointed a Committee to receive the contributions of Friends to the Amount of twelve hundred Dollars, the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting for the ensuing year, pay the same to our Treasurer and present his receipt when Accomplished -

Com on Charitable Fund We appoint our friends William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood, Edw. H. Howland and Geo. Howland Jr a Com. to have the care & distribution for the ensuing year of the income arising from the Charitable Fund left by our late friend Abm. Shearman Jr.

Educational Fund Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richard Davis, Edw. G. Dillingham and Chas. R. Tucker are appointed a Committee to have the care & distribution for the ensuing

1mo 1876 year of the income arising from the Educational Fund also left by our late friend A. Shearman Jr–

We concur with the Womens Meeting in granting Sarah M. Richardson's request for a Certificate to accompany her husband Geo. Richardson on a proposed religious visit to Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings and the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf–

Report of Com. on Treas' acct To the Monthly Meeting – The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to examine the accounts of the Treasurer, and the statements of the receipts and disbursements of those who have been placed in charge of the several funds under the care of this meeting, to propose a sum to be raised for the purposes of the meeting and the name of a friend to serve as treasurer have attended to the several duties assigned them and now present their Report.

Henry T. Wood, treasurer of the Monthly Meeting

Receipts –	From Collecting Committee	1400..
	Dividends and Sale Rights to Stock	474.05
Payments –	Balance 1874 Account	37.31
	Support of the Poor	553.29
	Treasurer of Quarterly Meeting, quota	816..
	" " " for Indians	168.64
	Committee on Refreshments Qt. Mting.	30.69
	Extra train Sandwich Qt. Mting	9.75
	Two shares Nat. Bank of Com.	200..
	Balance in the hands of the treasurer	58.37
Abraham Shearman Fund –	Balance at close of last year	38.29
	Dividends on Bank stock	170..
		208.29
Disbursements to 28 Beneficiaries		151..
	Balance in the hands of the Committee	57.29
Abraham Shearman Fund – Educational Fund.		
	Balance at the close of the last year	138.60
	Received for dividends	140..
Disbursed for the support of two beneficiaries to the	Yearly Meeting School	200..
	Balance in the hands of the Committee	78.60
John West Fund –	Balance in the hands of the Com.	172.55
	Received for dividends	640..
Disbursed in 130 payments		663.25
	Balance in the hands of the Committee	149.30

1st mo. 1875 Susan Howland Fund, Ministers Fund — Balance
at the close of the year 25. ..
Received for dividends 60. ..
Paid to six individuals $10 each 60 ..
Balance in hands of the Overseers 25 ..

Abner Pease Fund — Overseers account of the receipts and disbursements.

Pease Fund 1874. 1 mo. Balance in hands of the Overseers as stated in the account of Matthew Howland 265.72
1874 1 mo. Balance in the hands of the Overseers as stated in the account of Jon. Cowen 838.36
Received for Rights to Stock in Bank of Com. 632.50
" " Dividends and Interest 3046.20
Paid " Rights and Stock in Nat. Bk. of Com. 672.50
" " Taxes 99.41
Disbursed for various expenses connected with the Long Plain Preparative Meeting as Per Acc. rend.d & found correct 3561. ..
Balance in the hands of the Overseers 449.87

The amount of this fund has been increased during the year five hundred dollars.
The note for five hundred dollars has been paid.
The stock in the National Bank of Com. has been increased One thousand dollars, — five hundred dollars of which was received from the note paid and five hundred dollars from the transactions with the Bank connected with the increase of the Capital Stock.
The Committee would with much deference suggest to the Overseers the propriety of so stating their Account that all their operations in relation to this fund may with the balance unexpended appear in one statement.
The Committee have had at this time two accounts presented by the Overseers. Both have their sanction. In one they certify to a balance on hand of $177.36 In the other we find a balance of $272.51. These two sums united make the true balance $449.87 as stated above.
The vouchers presented with the account of the disbursements to the Long Plain Preparative Meeting are layed before the meeting with this report and make a part of it. They are now the property of the meeting
The additions to the permanent funds under the care of the Monthly Meeting have been as follows.
Abner Pease Fund - Ten Shares of the Stock of the Bk. of Com. A five hun. dollar note has been paid
General Fund - Two share of the Stock of the Nat. Bk. of Com.

1mo 1875 These changes are recorded in the Record of funds presented last year.
The Committee recommend that the sum of Twelve hundred dollars be raised for the purposes of the Meeting the present year.
We unite in presenting the name of Henry T. Wood to the Monthly Meeting for our treasurer.

New Bedford 1st mo. 28th 1875.
James B. Congdon }
Richard Davis } Committee
John F. Tucker }

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

mo 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2nd mo 25. 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford John F. Tucker; Peleg Slocum. Longplain Arnold G. Tripp and Benj. W. Slade who are present.

RPKing Our beloved friend Rufus P. King who was present at our last meeting is again acceptably with us–

The Committee appointed last month to receive the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $1200 – the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year have presented the Treasurer's receipt for the same–

Com. on Records Our friends Gideon Wood, Richard Davis, John B. Bayliss, and Jonathan Cowen are appointed a Committee to examine the Records of this Meeting ascertain if all births, deaths, Removals &c have been duly recorded, also, the total number of Members belonging to this Meeting and report next month–

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

3mo 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3d mo. 25. 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Holder Howland, Edw. T. Tucker Longplain Peter D. Slade and Jos. R. Wing who are present–

Queries The Queries were read at this time, with Answers from our Preparative Meetings a summary of which was approved, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and we appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, Edw G. Dillingham, Benjn W. Slade & Jno. F. Tucker to attend it as our representatives and report their attendance to our next meeting–

The following request of Ira H. Garrish received

3d Mo 1875
Request of
IH Gerrish

through Longplain Preparative Meeting to become a member of our Religious Society having been read and considered - we appoint our friends Jas. B. Congdon and Jos. R. Wing to visit him on Acc. of his request and report to a future meeting -

AP Smith
Received from
Dartmouth

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Abbot P. Smith is Accepted with the Concurrance of the Women's Meeting -

The following request by Ezra Kelley for a Certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting on Acc. of marriage having been received and read we appoint Geo. Howland Jr and John F. Tucker a Committee to take the necessary care in relation to his request and report to our next meeting -

S.M. Richardson
Returning Minute

Our friend Sarah M. Richardson returned to this meeting a certificate granted her in 1st mo. last to accompany her husband George Richardson on a Religious visit and presented a Returning minute from each of the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island & Smithfield which is Acceptable to us -

Com. on
Refreshments

The Committee appointed to have the care of furnishing Friends with refreshments at our Meeting-house made the following report which being read was accepted and we reappoint our friends Edw. W. Howland & John B. Baylies to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to extend hospitality to those in attendance of our Quarterly Meetings and are authorized to draw on our Treasurer for the expense thereof -

S.M. Richardson
removed to
Sidney M.M.

We concur with the Women's Meeting in approving a removal Certificate to Sidney Mo. Meeting on behalf of Sarah M. Richardson -

The Committee appointed last month to examine our Records made the following report which being read was Acceptable & satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward the information therein contained to the Quarterly Meeting -

E.E. Delano
deceased

Elnathan E. Delano a Minister and Member of this Meeting deceased 8th mo 1st 1874 Aged 66 years 10 months and 19 days ——

To New Bedford Mo. Mtg of Friends -

I.H Gerrish
Request

Having become convinced of the doctrine and principles of Friends and feeling desirous of becoming a member of your Religious Society, I hereby make a request, if I should be found worthy.

Fairhaven 3d mo 16th 1875 } Ira H. Gerrish.

3d mo 1875 To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends,

I request of this meeting a certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting to proceed in marriage with Abbie S. Ellison –

New Bedford 3d mo 23d 1875. } Ezra Kelley.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Refreshment Com. Report

The joint Committee appointed to provide refreshments at the Meeting-house, at the time of the Quarterly Meeting. report, that they have attended to the duty assigned them – Such provision has been purchased as seemed needful; and we have also to acknowledge the kindness of many Friends in contributing food and other Articles – Those who have been entertained, have expressed much satisfaction in the provision made for their comfort, which they especially appreciated after or before a long ride in very cold weather. The total expenses for the year have been $30.69 –

We would suggest that the Monthly Meeting should continue to extend its hospitality in the same manner in future, under the care of a Committee

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford 3d mo 24th 1875. John B. Baylies
Susan Taber

To the Monthly Meeting

Com. on Records Report

The Committee appointed last month to examine the records of this meeting, have attended thereto and find the Records properly kept, with the entries of all changes in our membership for the past year – The number of recorded members in 3d mo. 1874 was 379 – It has been ascertained, that one of those on record who was living beyond the limits of this Meeting, deceased some years since – Abigail Coffin who died 8th mo. 20th 1857. There have been 8 deaths during the year; 2 removals and One disowned – Number of Members by last year's record 379 – Deaths 9 – Removals by certificate 2 – Disowned One – leaving 367 – Removals by Certificate from other meetings 9 – Received by request 8 – Births during the past year 3 – making our membership at this date 387 –

There are now living without the limits of this Monthly Meeting of our members 29 males and 13 females Total 42 –

3 mo 24th 1875.

Gideon Wood
Richard Davis
Jonathan Cowen
John B. Baylies
Committee.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

4th Mo 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4th mo. 22d 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Seth H. Akin, B. Franklin Howland Longplain Benjamin Wilson and Peter D. Slade who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended—

Ira H Gerrish Recd a Member The Committee appointed last month to visit Ira H. Gerrish on Acc. of his request to become a member of our Religious Society made the following report—which being read was Accepted and having concurrence of the Women's Meeting we receive him into membership with us and Charles Taber is appointed to inform him—

Ezra Kelley Marriage The Committee appointed last month by request of Ezra Kelley for a Certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting on Acc. of Marriage presented one at this time which is approved and the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf—

To the Monthly Meeting.

We have attended to the duty with which we were charged in relation to the application of Ira H. Gerrish for membership—Our interview with him was interesting and satisfactory—We are impressed with the belief that he has entered upon the Christian life, with full purpose of heart, and that he seeks fellowship with us, that he may have our assistance therein—

The applicant has for several years attended our Meeting at Fairhaven—We would recommend to Friends to grant his request—

New Bedford }
4th mo. 22d 1875 } James B. Congdon
Joseph R. Wing Committee

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

5th Mo. At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5th mo. 27. 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Abbot P. Smith, Henry T. Wood—Longplain John K. Davis Jr, Noah H. Wilbur who are present—

Clerks The time for which the clerks of this Meeting were appointed, having expired, Henry T. Wood on behalf of the Representatives proposed the names of Matthew Howland for clerk, and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk which being united with by this meeting they are accordingly appointed to those stations for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

5mo 1875 The Recorder and Assistant Recorder's time of appointment having expired we are united in the reappointment of Henry T. Wood as Recorder and Richard Davis, Charles Taber and Jonathan Cowen Assistant Recorders for the year ensuing or until another appointment –

Recorders

Com on Overseers

The time for which the Overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, we appoint our friends Joseph Taber, Arnold G. Tripp, Jos. R. Wing and James B. Congdon a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends and present to our next meeting, the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The friend appointed last month to inform Ira H. Gerrish of his having been admitted a member of our Religious society reports he has informed him –

Overseers of Poor

The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this meeting were appointed having expired, we appoint Geo. Howland Jr, Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, John Wood, Richard Davis Jr, Joshua L. Macomber and Matthew Barney to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment –

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

6mo 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6th mo 24. 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Holder Howland, Jos. Taber – Longplain Arnold G. Tripp and Peter D. Slade who are present except One –

Jos Hobson
J P Pennington

Our beloved friends Joseph Hobson of Gilead Mo. Meeting, Ohio and John P. Pennington of Spiceland Mo. Meeting Indiana attended this Meeting and presented testimonials from their respective Meetings endorsed by their Quarterly Meetings expressing unity with them as Ministers and with their present religious engagements – their Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a Copy of this minute as it relates to each –

Our beloved friend Amy P. Hobson of Gilead Mo. Meeting, Ohio attended this meeting as companion to her husband Joseph Hobson & presented a minute from that meeting expressing unity with her as an Elder and with her present engagement – her Company and solid deportment have been Acceptable to us – and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a Copy of this minute –

6mo. 1875 The Queries were read in this meeting with
Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2nd
Queries and 10th a Summary of which was approved and directed
to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and
appoint our friends, Jonathan Cowen, Henry T. Wood,
James B. Congdon and Edw. G. Dillingham to attend
it as our representatives -

The Committee appointed last month to
select the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers
of this Meeting presented the following report which being
Overseers read and considered was accepted and having concurrance
of womens Meeting we appoint our friends
William G. Wing, Edw. G. Dillingham
Joshua L. Macomber, Abraham Gifford & Matthew Barney
to act as Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing
or until another appointment - We also concur with
the Womens Meeting in the appointment of Rhoda T. Gifford
Rebecca C. Grinnell, Mary C. Bayliss, Ann A. Macomber,
Betsey Hiller, Susan S. Tripp and Sarah Swain as
Overseers for the ensuing year -

Wm P. A Lawrence A Removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly
& family Meeting on behalf of Wm P. A. Lawrence, his Wife Elizabeth S.
and daughter Mary Alice a minor has been read & accepted
with the concurrance of Womens Meeting -

Request of The following request of Nathaniel Sears recd
Nathl Sears through Longplain Preparative Meeting, to become a member
of our Religious Society was read & considered - We appoint
our friends Josiah Holmes Jr and Edw. G. Dillingham a
Committee to visit him on account of his request and report
to a future meeting -

RL Smith We concur with the Women's Meeting in accepting
Recd from a removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf
Dartmouth of Ruth L. Smith -

The Annual Report of the Committee having
charge of the Boarding school at Providence was recd
and read at this time -

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends -

The Committee appointed at our Meeting
in the Fifth Mo. to present for the Consideration of this
Meeting the names of Friends to serve as Overseers are
united in proposing the following viz - Chas R. Tucker
Matthew Howland William G. Wing, Edw. G. Dillingham, Joshua
L. Macomber, Abraham Gifford, and Matthew Barney -
Rhoda T. Gifford, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Mary C. Bayliss,
Ann A. Macomber, Betsey Hiller, Susan S. Tripp and

mo 1875 Sarah Swain - On behalf of the Committee
James B. Congdon
New Bedford 6th mo 24. 1875} Sarah H. Anthony -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.
Having attended the Meeting of Friends the past year and becoming convinced of the principles and practices of your society, wish to join in Membership with you if found worthy -
Nathaniel Sears
Longplain 6th mo 1875.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

7mo 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7th mo. 22d 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Wm G. Wing, Geo. Howland Jr. Longplain John Wood and Richard Davis who are present -

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they attended with one exception for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned -

ephen Breed Our beloved friend Stephen Breed attended this meeting and presented testimonials from Rockyrun Mo. Meeting held at Coloma, Parke Co Indiana endorsed by Western Quarterly Meeting expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagement - his Company and gospel labors have been Acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a Copy of this minute -

We have received at this time 170 copies of the Printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and have appointed our friends Jonathan Cowen, Holder Howland Benjamin Slade, Joshua L. Macomber, Richard Davis and B Franklin Howland to distribute them among our Members.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

8mo At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8th mo 26th 1875.

Representatives from New Bedford Ezra Kelley, John F. Tucker - Longplain, Benjamin W. Slade and John R. Davis Jr who are present except two, for whose absence sufficient reasons were assigned. -

Q. Meeting Stock A communication received from the clerk of the Quarterly Meeting informs us that our proportion of stock for the use of that meeting this year is $884. which our

8mo 1875 Treasurer is requested to pay to the Treasurer of that meeting, when in possession of the necessary funds -

The Committee appointed in the 6th mo. last to visit Nathaniel Sears on Account of his request to

Nathl Sears Received become a Member of our Religious Society made the following report which being read and Considered was Accepted and with Concurrance of Women's Meeting we receive him into membership with us and Richard Davis is appointed to inform him -

The Committee appointed last month to distribute among our Members copies of the Printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, report they have attended to the duty -

To the Monthly Meeting.

In Accordance with our appointment we have visited Nathaniel Sears - The object of his request is, to find a home with some religious body - his knowledge of the principles and testimonies of Friends is limited, yet he wishes to be connected with them and we think his request sincere -

New Bedford 8th mo 26th 1875. Josiah Holmes Jr
Edw. G. Dillingham

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

9th Mo.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9th mo 23d 1875.

Representatives to attend this meeting from New Bedford are Wm P. A. Lawrence, Holder Howland - Longplain Arnold G. Tripp and Seth S. Swift who are present except one -

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers

Queries from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2nd and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends William G. Tiney, Gideon Wood, Jonathan Cowen, and Joshua L. Macomber to attend it as our Representatives.

The subject of holding our First-day afternoon meeting being brought before us at this time, its consideration is referred to our next Mo. Meeting -

Wm Thompson & Susan Taber propose Marriage William Thompson and Susan Taber having by written communication declared their intention of taking each other in Marriage, they are requested to wait until our next Mo. Meeting for an Answer.

Abby E. Kelley & Son Received from Sandwich A removal certificate on behalf of Abbie E. Kelley and her Minor Son Henry N. Ellison from Sandwich M. Meeting was read & Accepted in Concurrance with Women's Meeting -

9mo 1875

Geo Richardson

Our beloved friend George Richardson attended this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Sydney Mo. Meeting, Maine expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagements - his company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us -

Our beloved friend Sarah M. Richardson also, attended this Meeting as Companion to her husband Geo. Richardson and presented a certificate from the same Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her in her present engagement - her Company has been Acceptable to us - and the clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with Copies of these Minutes as they relate to each -

The following Communication from the Overseers recd through New Bedford Preparative Meeting respecting Jabez Wood was read and Considered and we appoint our friends William C. Taber, and Geo. Howland Jr to visit him on this Account & report to a future Meeting -

Josiah Holmes Liberated

Our beloved friend Josiah Holmes Jr a minister with whom we have unity, expressed in this meeting a concern which had for sometime rested on his mind, to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and Smithfield and meetings constituting them, to visit families and individuals and appoint meetings within their limits as Truth may open the way - after due consideration, we unite with his prospect and liberate him for this service of love, Commending him to the care and guidance of the Unslumbering Shepherd of Israel -

We unite with the Women's meeting in liberating our friend Sarah A. Holmes to Accompany her husband Josiah Holmes Jr on a part of his proposed religious visit to Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings as expressed in his certificate -

A Printed circular from the Committee appointed by the Yearly Meeting on the subject of Temperance was received and read at this time and the consideration thereof referred to the Committee of this meeting on Temperance appointed in 12th mo last -

To the Monthly Meeting -

Report of Overseers in case of Jabez Wood

We have to inform that Jabez Wood a member of this Meeting has failed to meet his business obligations in a reputable manner, and thereby has rendered himself liable to be dealt with, which we submit to the Meeting - Chas. R. Tucker, Matthew Howland and Wm G. King, Overseers - Matthew Howland, clerk.

10 M° 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10th mo 28th 1875.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Wm G. Wing, Edward T. Tucker — Longplain N. Hervey Wilbur and John Wood who are present —

The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they all attended —

William Thompson and Susan Taber having last month declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to prevent, they having consent of surviving Parent and the concurrance of Women's Meeting, they are allowed to solemnize said marriage in accordance with the order of our Religious society — at the request of the Parties, a meeting is appointed to be held at the house of William C. Taber in this city on Fourth-day 11th mo 3d 1875 at 12 M. for the Accomplishment of said Marriage and we appoint our friends Geo. Howland Jr and John B. Baylies to attend the marriage, present the certificate to our Recorder and report to a future Meeting —

The subject in regard to the manner of holding our First-day afternoon Meeting in New Bedford being again brought before us, it was concluded, after due consideration to refer the matter to New Bedford Preparative Meeting —

Resignation of Membership M. E. Bradford We concur with the Womens meeting in accepting the resignation of her right of membership in our society by Mary Eastman Bradford daughter of William Bradford —

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

11th M° — At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11 mo 25th 1875.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr, Alex. Hillman — Longplain Richard Davis and Benj. W. Slade who are present —

John Y. Hoover John Carey Our beloved friends John Y. Hoover of Springfield Mo. Meeting Iowa, and John Carey of Back Creek Mo. Meeting Indiana, attended this meeting and presented certificates from their respective Meetings expressing unity with them as ministers and with their present religious engagements — their company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each —

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2nd & 10th and a Summary approved which are to be forwarded to the

11 Mo 1875 ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Joseph Taber, Isaac L. Cowen, John F. Tucker and Benjn W. Slade to attend it as our representatives –

The joint Committee appointed for the purpose of promoting and encouraging education in our society especially Scriptural instruction among our members and

Report Com. on Education others in attendance of our First-day schools made the following report – which being read and considered proved interesting and acceptable to us, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting was cordially united with and we appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, James B. Congdon, Noah Henry Wilbour, Peleg Slocum, Charles Taber, Jonathan Cowen, Rufus Sherman, John Wood Jr, John S. Wright, Richd Davis Jr, David S. Wood, Joshua L. Macomber and Wm D. Eldridge a Committee upon this subject for the following year, to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends and they are encouraged to use all the available means in their power for the promotion and encouragement of this desirable object and report to this Meeting next year –

The Committee appointed to have the care

Marriage Wm Thompson & Susan Taber and oversight of the marriage of William Thompson and Susan Taber report that the marriage was orderly conducted and the Certificate delivered to our Recorder –

We have received at this time 250 copies of the London General Epistle and appoint our friends Jonathan

Lond. Genl Epistle Cowen, Holder Howland, Benjamin W. Slade, Joshua L. Macomber Richard Davis and B. Franklin Howland a Committee to distribute them among our members and others who are in the habit of attending our meetings –

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee under appointment upon the subject of general education among our members and especially to promote and encourage the attendance of First-day schools for scriptural instruction by the children of Friends and of others connected with our society or who may be in the practice of attending our Meetings report – that way has not opened for any special effort in aid of secular education – They believe however that a good degree of interest is felt by many Friends upon the subject – Fourteen of our members have been in attendance of the Boarding school at Providence – Five others have been engaged in teaching during all or a portion of the year –

First day Schools –

New Bedford. Though not as fully attended as formerly, this is quite as large now as at the time of our report last year

11th Mo 1875

Report. Com First Day Schools

and is we beleive a good school - While there is apparent less personal endeavor on the part of teachers to secure the regular attendance of all in the several classes, we beleive the general interest and effort for the welfare of the school is fully maintained, and we trust the religious interest and temper of the teachers has not abated -

Fairhaven. - A small school composed of adults only - The average attendance is about ten, though sometimes twenty are present - Could Friends here feel encouraged to invite the children of the neighborhood, some of whom may not at present attend any school, and share with them the benefit of their Bible study, we beleive the effort might result in blessing to themselves and in good to the Children -

Acushnet. A little Bible class at the close of the First day Meeting with an average attendance of about ten - It is cause of satisfaction to the Committee to be able to report the continuance of this practice by the little company who assemble here - If so be that any of these, have tasted that the Lord ~~was~~ is gracious, if they have felt the need and an earnest desire that their own lives may be in conformity with the precepts and spirit of the gospel, how fitting that these should embrace these weekly opportunities of gathering with consecrated hearts for the study of the Bible, commending its blessed truths one to another and to the consciences of those who may be induced to meet with them - A very comfortable Meeting house and an interesting neighborhood contribute to make this field peculiarly adapted to the work - May the Lord increase them more and more -

Long Plain. A school has been for sometime sustained here and is attended by the greater portion of those who attend the meeting preceding it, and also by a number of children in the neighborhood - Of the size and efficiency of the school however, we are without any late intelligence, no statistics having been furnished for this report -

Mattapoisett. This continues to be an interesting school and has been continued during the year - The whole number attending is 34. average attendance 24. - Two small Bible classes of adults are maintained - The school has been seldom visited by the Committee during the year, but we desire the encouragement of the teachers, and that may seek unto the Lord for ability rightly to discharge their interesting duty, and we are persuaded that His blessing will follow the work that is truly done in His name -

11th mo 25th 1875. For the Committee, Henry T. Wood, Mary C. Bayliss.

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk

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12 Mo. 1875 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12th mo 23d 1875.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford - John B. Baylies, Albert W. Holmes - Longplain Seth S. Swift and Lilburn Hiller who are present -

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended

Afternoon Meeting at New Bedford discontinued

A request from New Bedford Preparative Meeting to discontinue for the present the first-day afternoon meeting held at New Bedford being received and considered was united with and that meeting is accordingly discontinued, the Women's meeting concurring herein, it being understood the school is to be held as heretofore, commencing with a solemn, religious opportunity -

Com. on Funerals & Burial Grounds

The Committee appointed to take the oversight of Funerals and the care of Burial grounds made the following report - which being read and considered was accepted and we appoint our friends, Charles R. Tucker, Edw. W. Howland, Gideon Wood, Geo. Howland Jr, Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Rufus Shearman, James M. Tripp, John B. Baylies, Richard Davis, Jonathan Cowen, Joseph R. Wing, Edw. G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber, Lilburn Hiller, Arnold G. Tripp, David S. Wood, Charles Taber, Peleg Slocum, Robert B. Taber, John F. Tucker and Matthew Barney a Committee to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment and they are encouraged to attend to the duties assigned them and report to this meeting next year -

Com. to Audit Treas. Acct & Trust Funds

We appoint our friends James B. Congdon, John B. Baylies Joshua L. Macomber and Joseph R. Wing a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account, propose a sum necessary to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year and the name of a Friend for Treasurer - Also to audit the several Trust funds under the care of this meeting -

The Committee appointed last month to distribute the London General Epistle among our members and others report they have attended to that duty -

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial grounds report -

That they have given attention to their appointment; that some of their number have attended all the funerals over which their care has been requested: the burial grounds are all in good order; that at Mattapoisett has been cleared of briars and enclosed with a good new wall - at Longplain

12th Mo 1875

Report of Com. on Funerals &c

a new wall is nearly completed at Acushnet the wall is under repairs, a small portion of it unfinished owing to some change in the line of the road — at New Bedford the ground is very properly enclosed.

for the Committee
Geo Howland Jun.

12th mo 23d 1876.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

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At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1st mo 27th 1876.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Jas. B. Congdon, Alex. Hillman — Longplain Edw. G. Dillingham & Abraham Gifford who are present except two—

Marg. A Hathaway

Our beloved friend Margaret A. Hathaway attend this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Farmington Mo. Meeting endorsed by Farmington Quarterly Meeting expressing unity with her as a minister and with her present religious engagements— her Company and religious labors among us have been Acceptable and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a Copy of this minute

H T Wood app. Treasurer

The Committee appointed last Month to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account and for other purposes made the following report which being read was Accepted and we appoint our friend Henry T. Wood, Treas. of this meeting for the ensuing year or until another appointment and John B. Baylies, John F. Tucker, David S. Wood, Richd Davis and Arnold G. Tripp a Committee to receive the contributions of Friends to the Amount of $1050 the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, pay the Amount to our Treasurer and present his receipt for the same, when Accomplished—

Com. on Charitable Fund left by A Sherman Jr ..

We appoint our friends William C. Taber, Henry T. Wood Edw. W. Howland and George Howland Jr a Committee to unite with a similar Com. of Women friends to have the care and distribution for the year ensuing or until another appointment the income arising from the Charitable Fund left by our late friend Abm. Shearman Jr—

Com. on Educational Fund Do

Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richard Davis Edw. G. Dillingham and Charles R. Tucker are appointed a Committee to have the care and distribution for the ensuing year of the income arising from the Educational Fund left this meeting by our late friend Abm. Shearman Jr—

The Joint Committee appointed in the 12th mo 1874 to promote the cause of Temperance among our Members and in this Community made the following report which being read and duly considered was accepted, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, and we appoint our

1 mo 1876. friends James B. Congdon, Charles Taber, John F. Tucker, Henry T. Wood, Joshua L. Macomber, Samuel Rodman,
Committee on Edw. G. Dillingham, Matthew Howland & Gideon Wood,
Temperance a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, to take such action as may seem right and proper to promote and encourage in love, among our members and in this community total abstinence from all intoxicating beverages and carry out as far as practicable the recommendations contained in a Circular sent down by the Committee appointed by the Yearly Meeting -

The Joint Committee appointed to visit the inmates of
Committee on the Alms-house, House of Correction and Jail in this city made
Alms House the following report which being read proved acceptable and
House of Correction & Jail interesting, the women's meeting concurring herein, and we appoint our friends James B. Congdon, Gideon Wood, Joseph Grinnell, Geo. Howland Jr, Chas. R. Tucker, William C. Taber, Chas. Howland, Josiah Holmes Jr, Rufus Shearman and Charles Taber, & David S. Wood a Committee to unite with a similar committee of women friends and they are encouraged to attend faithfully to the object of their appointment and visit these several Institutions, as way may open for in the Truth, in order to promote as far as possible our concern in this important duty and report to this meeting next year -

A communication from Wm Foster Mitchell on behalf of Yearly Meetings Committee on Secular education having been received we appoint Henry T. Wood, Richard Davis and Edward T. Tucker a Committee to collect the statistical information required and the clerk is requested to inform Wm F. Mitchell that a Meeting for the object proposed will be held at this house on the evening after our next Mo. Meeting (2d mo. 24th) at 7 o'clock.

Joshua L. Macomber and Mary G. Hiller
J L Macomber the latter not a member of our Religious Society, having by
& M G Hiller written communication, declared their intention of
Propose Marriage taking each other in marriage we appoint Edward G. Dillingham and Richard Davis a Committee to take the necessary care in the case and the parties are requested to wait for an answer until next month -

Wm Thompson A Removal certificate from New York
Removal Cert. Mo. Meeting on behalf of William Thompson is
from N York - Accepted with concurrance of Womens Meeting -

The clerk is requested to inform this Meeting Quarterly of Committees then under appointment, excepting those appointed annually -

To the Monthly Meeting - The committee appointed at our last monthly meeting to examine the accounts

1mo 1876 of the treasurer and the statements of the receipts and disbursements of those who have been placed in charge of the several funds under the care of this meeting: to propose a sum to be raised for the purposes of the meeting and the name of a friend to serve as treasurer have attended to the several duties and now present their report —

Annual Report on Finances

Treasurer Monthly Meeting's Account —

Balance of last years Accounts	58.37
From collections	1200.00
Dividends & Interest	206.81
Balance due Treasurer	90.61
	$1,555.79
Paid for the support of the poor	306.45
" Qt. Mting Quota	1020.00
" Western Indians	168.64
" Expense of meetings in Dartmouth	3.00
" Refreshments Qt. Meeting 55.20 Water 2.50	57.70
	$1555.79

Susan Howland, Ministers fund in care of the Overseers

Balance at the close of 1874.		25.00
Dividends on bond		60.00
		$85.00
Paid to four persons		
1	25.00	
3	30.00	55.00
Balance in the hands of the Overseers		30.00
		$85.00

Abraham Shearman Fund. Educational Fund

Balance in hands of the committee 1/1/75		78.60
Dividends received		140."
		$218.60
Paid Yearly Mting School at Providence Five beneficiaries	175.00	
Balance in the hands of the Committee	43.60	$218.60

Abraham Shearman fund — Charitable Fund

Balance in hands of Committee 1 mo 1875.	57.29
Dividends on Bank Stock	170."
	$227.29
Pd out to 32 persons	178.00
Balance in hands of committee	49.29
$3,085 has been disbursed from this fund.	$227.29

1Mo 1876 John West Fund -

Balance in hands of the Committee 1st mo. 1875.	149.30
Received for dividends	620.00
	$769.30
Annual Reports - Disbursed in 104 payments	582.00
Balance in hands of Committee	187.30
	$769.30

Abner Pease Fund. Acc. of receipts and Payments -

1875, 1mo. Balance in hands of Overseers as shown by the Statement of the auditing committee	449.87
Dividends and Interest	2,943.25
Received of Josiah Holmes	1,000.00
	$4393.12
Paid for taxes	116.29
" out for various purposes connected with the Long Plain Preparative meeting as per account	3974.07
Balance in hands of the overseers	302.76
	$4393.12

The committee recommend that the sum of ten hundred and fifty dollars be raised for the purposes of the meeting the present year. We unite in presenting the name of H. T. Wood to the Monthly Meeting for our treasurer ——

Jas. B. Congdon } For the
New Bedford Jas. B. Baylies } Committee
1st Mo. 25th 1876.

To the Monthly Meeting ——

Report of Com. on Temperance The Committee appointed by the minute of 12th month 24th 1874. to take such action as in their judgement may seem best to promote and encourage among our members total abstinence from all intoxicating beverages and discourage the use and sale of intoxicating liquors in the community now present their report.

Upon the copy of this appointment is the following memorandum "The printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting will inform the Committee in reference to the concern of that meeting". The concern of the New England Yearly meeting for 1874 is found impressed upon the minutes as follows.

"The Yearly Meeting for 1874 received and acted

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upon favorably a proposition for a large and interesting meeting of friends that the Yearly Meeting take action upon the subject of temperance. The proposition was in the following words

Report of Com. on Temperance

"The Committee would therefore propose that the Yearly Meeting appoint a joint committee of two men and two women Friends from each Quarterly Meeting to act on behalf of this branch of Christian work and that each of our Monthly Meetings be directed to appoint a committee to labor in concert with and in aid of the committee of this meeting to promote the cause in their several localities and neighborhoods. And we hope that in the selection of these committees care will be taken to appoint such friends as are active and willing workers and will feel interested to carry forward the object of this important matter.

The proposition was agreed to by the Yearly Meeting and a Committee appointed.

The subject was called up at the Yearly Meeting of 1875 upon the presentation of the report of the committee.

It appears by the records of the Yearly Meeting of 1875 upon the presentation of the report of the Committee that the work had not gone forward to the satisfaction of the meeting.

The former Committee was reappointed with additions and an appropriation made of three hundred dollars. The original minute was not changed.

It would appear by this recital that the Monthly Meeting Committee were charged with the following duties. 1st To labor to promote and encourage among our members total abstinence from all intoxicating beverages.

2d To discourage the use and sale of intoxicating liquors in the community.

3d To labor in concert with and aid of the Committee appointed by the Yearly Meeting.

Soon after the appointment of your Committee a printed circular was prepared and sent to each member fully setting forth the action

1mo 1876 of both the Yearly and Monthly meetings upon the subject. The minutes of both meetings were given in full. This was done that the obligation resting upon the members might be fully understood.

Report on Temperance It is believed that this responsibility has been felt and to some extent acted upon by all. With regard to the action pointed out in relation to our own members all the Committee can say is this: that each individual of which it is composed has both by precept and example laboured as far as practicable to sustain the testimony of our discipline.

We propose that the extract from our discipline on the 5th page should be omitted and the words "as far as practicable be inserted" A few friends feel straitened as in cases of severe sickness some spiritous liquors have been used.

Under the "second" head the only action that it seems necessary to mention here is this that the subject of total abstinence has been introduced into the First Day School connected with our society and that pledges have been given by many of the children.

Several of the committee have been engaged in this work and have done what they could to discourage the use of intoxicating liquors by frequent appeals to the children of the school and by liberal distributions both in the school and out of it of the best publication.

No direct action has been taken by this committee in connection with or under the direction of the Committee of the Yearly Meeting.

The committee of 1874 made no communication to us excepting a verbal one which accompanied a card with the committees names and a number of blank pledges.

The Committee of 1875 forwarded to our Monthly Meeting in the month a circular upon the subject. It recites an extract from the record of the Yearly Meeting of 1875 as follows.

"We do believe that total abstinence from intoxicating drinks and tobacco is essential for the promotion of both moral and religious improvement"

This circular was, by the meeting to which it was presented

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Temperance Report

referred to this Committee. The Committee have had it laid before them and they have to some extent considered it. As the time had come for presentation of the general reports of the committee to the Monthly Meeting and as it was thought that the meeting the subject being important, might wish to give some specific instructions with regard to the matter of the circular and the method of carrying into effect the wishes of the Yearly Meeting Committee it was thought best to place the circular without further action again before the meeting.

The Committee are deeply impressed with the magnitude and importance of this joint concern of the Yearly and monthly Meetings.

They look upon the present time as one particularly favorable for that wise and ernest activity in the cause of total abstinence from intoxicating drinks which as individuals and as members of a religious society we are bound to exert.

We would recommend that the action under the concern be continued and another committee appointed.

J. B. Congdon
H. T. Wood } For the
Susan Taber Thompson } Committee

To the Monthly Meeting

Report on Alms House Jail &c -

The Committee appointed to labor as way might open on behalf of the inmates of the jail the house of Correction and Alms House in this city and report from time to time to the meeting now present their third report.

In the nature of the concern it is not to be expected that we can give to any considerable extent, the details either of our movements or their results. The activity of the committee has been mainly that of its individual members - the results however salutary and profitable can only be fully known to Him who has made it our duty as followers of His dear Son to compassionate the needy and friendless and to minister to those who are in prison.

While there has been but little of collective

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effort individual members of the Committee have born in mind the duties involved in their appointment under the concern of the Monthly Meeting and it is believed that most have to some extent had their sympathies quickenad and their sense of obligation enlarged by being in this way brought into closer connection with the children of poverty and crime.

Report on Alms House &c

To relieve the sufferer is an impulse of humanity — our holy faith elevates and quickens this emotion and prompts to self sacrificing effort for the bodily and spiritual well being of all who are in want and all who having sown to the flesh are reaping the harvest of corruption. It does us all good thus to be linked by the divine spirit of charity with those whose condition makes them the objects of our Christian regard.

Many visits have been made to the house of Correction and the alms-house. Generally there has been a desire and an opportunity for a word of exhortation and a season of prayer and when the visit has been a silent one it has been blessed, twice blessed for to visit the prisoner is to administer help and hope, to take the friendless one by the hand is to communicate comfort while to the Christian visitor thus to do good and communicate is to experience the truth of the Saviour's declaration, inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these my bretheren ye have done it unto me.

Several of our visiting public Friends have been led to visit the house of Correction with satisfaction to themselves and as we have reason to believe, to the comfort and edification of the inmates. Assurances have been given by those in charge of both these institutions that our humble labors have been acceptable and wishes have been expressed for their continuance.

Under the feelings of gratitude and encouragement which the retrospect has excited we would recommend that the concern be continued under the care of a committee of this meeting —

Sarah A. Holmes } For the
Jas. B. Congdon } Committee

1st mo 27th 1876

2 Mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2d mo 29.1876

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Peleg Slocum B. Franklin Howland. Longplain Noah Henry Wilber & Benj. W. Slade who are present —

Joshua L. Macomber and Mary G. Hiller having last month declared their intention of taking each other in marriage and nothing appearing to prevent, and having consent of Parents and the concurrance of the Women's Meeting, they are allowed to solemnize said marriage in accordance with the order of our Religious Society and we appoint Josiah Holmes Jr and Arnold G. Tripp a Committee to attend the marriage, present the Certificate to our Recorder and report to our next meeting —

The Committee appointed last month to collect the statistical information called for by the Committee on Secular education appointed by the Yearly Meeting, made the following report which is acceptable and satisfactory —

By a Communication received from the Women's Meeting we are informed through Longplain Preparative Mtg that Hannah H. Howland, her daughter Abby, and Son Irving Howland have removed within the limits of New York Mo. Meeting and have had no Certificates. We appoint Henry T. Wood and Jno. B. Baylies a Committee to unite with Com. of Women friends to take this matter into consideration and report to a future meeting —

We have also received at this time from the Women's meeting a communication, in reference to the unusual number of deaths which have lately occurred among our members and especially that of our beloved friend Dorcas F. Tucker, whose loss to the Church, in which her continued service seems much needed and to the social circle of which she was a shining ornament, is deeply felt. Yet, believing that her removal from works to rewards is to her unspeakable gain, we desire that those who remain may be stimulated to increased diligence and acknowledge the feelings of solemnity into which this meeting has been introduced by the reading of this brief document —

Name	Date of Birth	Age next Birthday	Kind of school attended
New Bedford Monthly Meeting			
Emma M. Almy	11 mo 25/55	21	
Frank O. Almy	5 mo 27/59	17	
Thomas W. Almy	5 mo 27/57	19	High School N.B.
John Baylies	5 mo 29/57	19	
Eliza V. H. Crapo	3 mo 15/57	19	
Sarah Crapo	2d mo 14/60	17	Friends School, Prov.
Herbert Crapo	9th mo 23/63	13	Public School N.B.

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Name	Date of Birth	Age next Birthday	Kind of school attended
Henry W. Ellison	8th mo. 3/63	- 13 -	Public School N.B.
Anna R. Howland	3 mo 19/58	- 18 -	Friends School, Prov.
Anna R. Holmes	10 mo 23/58	- 18 -	Ditto
Sarah D. Holmes	1 mo 22/61	- 16 -	Ditto
Mary Holmes	10 mo 6/67	- 9 -	Private, taught by Friends
Lydia L. Holmes	3d mo 3/69	- 7 -	same " "
Frederic Taber	2 mo 27.56	- 20 -	
Elizabeth K. Taber	2 mo 18/61	- 15 -	Friends School, Prov.
Sarah H. Taber	6 mo 14/62	14	Academy N. B.
Emma C. Taber	9 mo 17/67	9	Private, taught by Friends
Mary E. Wing	7 mo /59	17	Friends School, Prov.
William G. Wing	7 mo 30/61	15	Public School
Alice D. Wood	11 mo 28/62	14	Private —
John D. Wood	12 mo 4/65	11	Ditto —
Joseph D. Wood	4 mo 20/60	16	Friends school Prov.
Augustus Wood	1 mo 26/57	20	Brown University "
William K. Wood	9 mo 17/55	- 21	
Albert K. Wood —	7 mo 11/68	- 8	Public School N.B.
Isabella L. Cowen —	8 mo 19/55	- 21	
Elizabeth E. Cowen —	4 mo 19/60	- 16	Friends School Prov.
Hannah H. Howland	10 mo 26/57	- 19	unable to attend school nearly blind.
Mary A. Howland	2 mo 7/60	- 17	
Irving Howland	4 mo 27/63	- 13	
Thomas K. Howland	8 mo 10/56	- 20	
Abby S. Howland	6 mo 26/61	15	Friends school Prov.
John S. Howland	9 mo 20/63	13	Ditto
Rebecca S. Howland	2 mo 23/66	10	Private, taught by Friends
Alice H. Howland	2 mo 25/69	7	Ditto
Thomas A. Tripp	8 mo 5/57	19	Friends school Prov.
Edward P. Wilbur	7 mo 5/58	18	
Elizabeth G. Wilbur	3 mo 30/60	16	Friends school Prov.
Herbert R. Wilbur	8 mo 31/67	9	Public school N. B.
Sylvia K. Haswell	11 mo 6/55	21	
Russell P. Hammett	2 mo 5/57	20	Friends school, Prov.
Valmore A. Hammett	5 mo 13/63	13	Public school
Edward C. Murray Jr	6 mo 9/70	6	Ditto
Gulielma P. Swift	5 mo 3/56	20	

Sarah W. Almy	taught in 1875 public school, Westport
Caleb Slade	taught in Acushnet, Mass. a public school
Betsey T. Wing	a teacher in Friends School, Providence
Chas. W. Ryder	taught High school in Dartmouth, Mass.
Abby H. Howland	Ass. teacher in Brooklyn N. Y.
Catherine Howland	taught a private school in New Bedford.

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3 Mo. 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3d mo 23d 1876.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford, David S. Wood, Chas. W. Crapo. Longplain Richard Davis, & Daniel S. King who are present —

Queries

The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Jas. B. Congdon Jos. Grinnell, Arnold G. Tripp and Joshua L. Macomber to attend it as our representatives —

Report on Contributions

The Committee appointed in the 1st mo last to receive the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $1050. the sum proposed to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year presented at this time the Treasurer's receipt for the same —

The Committee under appointment to examine our Records made the following report, which being read proved satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward the information therein contained to the Quarterly Meeting —

Death & age D.F. Tucker

Dorcas F. Tucker an Elder died 12th mo. 18th 1875 Aged 65 years 10 months & 1 day —

Marriage J.L. Macomber + M.G. Hiller —

The Committee appointed last month to attend the marriage of Joshua L. Macomber and Mary G. Hiller report the marriage as having been orderly and satisfactorily conducted & the Certificate delivered to the Recorder —

To the Monthly Meeting.

Report on Records

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of the Meeting report — the number of members reported last year was 386 — since which there have been received by Certificate 7 — by request 2 and two births in all Eleven making the number 397 from which 14 have been removed by death — One by Certificate — and One resigned, in all 16 leaving the present number 381.

The deaths have been from New Bedford 11 viz. Frances K. Taber, Edmund Gardner, Mehitable E. Gurndon, Henry T. Wood 2d, Sarah Howland, Susan S. Nye, Dorcas F. Tucker, Susan H. Dotridge, Nathan Bowman, Jos. S. Tillinghast and Mary E. Snow —

The deaths in Fairhaven were two viz Hannah Tripp and Hannah Bradford and One in Nantucket George Easton — Sarah M. Richardson removed from New Bedford by Certificate and Mary E. Bradford of Fairhaven resigned her right of membership —

3d Mo 1876 We have received by Certificate viz - Wm P. A. Lawrence and his Wife Elizabeth S. and daughter Mary A. Lawrence - Ruth L. Smith, Abby E. Kelley, Henry W. Ellison & William Thompson - by request Ira Gerrish and Nathl Sears - Two births - A daughter to William G. & Elizd H. Wood viz Bertha G. Wood and a Son to John S. and Sarah Elizabeth Wright - We believe the Records have been fully and faithfully Kept -

For the Committee

New Bedford
3d mo 22d 1876.

Gideon Wood
Jonathan Cowen

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

4 Mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4th mo 27. 1876

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Wm P. A. Lawrence, Jno. F. Tucker, Longplain Benjamin W. Slade and Abrm. Gifford who are present except One -

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report they were all present -

B H Kirby & Wife request membership The following request from Benjamin C. Kirby and his Wife Cynthia A. to become members of our Religious Society being received & read we appoint Gideon Wood and William G. Wing to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on Acc. of their request and report to a future meeting -

The Committee appointed in the 2nd mo. last to unite with a Com. of Women friends, to take into Consideration, at the request of Longplain Preparative meeting, the subject of furnishing New York Monthly meeting with a Removal Certificate on behalf of Hannah H. Howland and two children report - it is inexpedient to take any action in the matter at present on Account of the uncertainty of the parties remaining long time in that vicinity -

Quit-Claim land in Nantucket The Overseers of this meeting are authorized provided it meets their approval, to quit-claim a small portion of the Meeting-house lot in Nantucket to David G. Hussey in Accordance with the representation of an Overseer residing in that meeting -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends -

Trusting it would be a means of our growth in grace, by being attached to the Society of Friends, we request with your approval to become members

4mo 1876 thereof –

3d mo 22d 1876 Benjamin H. Kirby
Cynthia A. Kirby

Com on Overseers We appoint George Howland Jr, Arnold G. Tripp, Daniel S. Wing, John F. Tucker, A Hervey Wilbor, and Gideon Wood a Committee to unite with a Com. of Women Friends for the purpose of presenting to our Next meeting the names of suitable Friends to serve as Overseers of this Meeting for the ensuing year –

Attest M Howland clerk.

5mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5th mo. 25th 1876.

Representatives from New Bedford Samuel Rodman Holder Howland – Longplain John Wood and Richard Davis who are all present –

Appointment of Clerks The time for which the clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, Richard Davis on behalf of the Representatives proposed the name of Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant clerk which proposition being united with by this meeting they are appointed to those stations for the year ensuing or until another appointment –

Appointment of Recorders The appointment of Recorder and Assistant Recorders of this meeting having expired, we are united in Continuing Henry T. Wood as Recorder and Richard Davis, Charles Taber and Jonathan Cowen as Ass't Recorders for the ensuing year or until another appointment –

The Committee appointed last month to present to this meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers, presented the following report which being Acceptable and having concurrence of Women's Meeting

Appointment of Overseers we appoint our friends Chas. R. Tucker, Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Edw. G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber, Arnold G. Tripp and Matthew Barney to act as Overseers of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment – We also concur with the Women's Meeting in the appointment of Rebecca C. Grinnell, Mary C. Baylies, Ruth S. Wood, Ann A. Macomber, Susan S. Tripp, Adelaide V. Wilbur and Sarah Swain to the same station for the ensuing year –

The Committee appointed last month to visit Benjamin H. and Cynthia A. Kirby on account of their request to become Members of our Religious Society made the following which being read and considered was

5mo 1876 accepted, and with concurrence of Women's Meeting, we receive
B H Kirby them into membership with us and William G. Wing is
& Wife Recd into appointed to inform them –
Membership

The joint Committee appointed in the 1st mo last for the purpose of promoting the cause of Temperance
Temperance among our Members, made the following report at this time, which being considered was accepted, and the privilege granted them of reporting to the Yearly Meetings Committee the result of their labors thus far – it being understood they are to continue their care in this important concern and report again at a future Meeting –

To the Monthly Meeting –

The joint Committee appointed last month to propose the names of Friends to serve as Overseers for the ensuing year offer the following –
Charles, R. Tucker, Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Edw. G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber, Arnold G. Tripp Matthew Barney, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Mary C. Bayliss, Ruth S. Wood, Ann A. Macomber, Susan S. Tripp, Adelaide V. Wilbur, Sarah Swain which is respectfully submitted

Sarah H. Anthony, Daniel S. Wing, Geo. Howland Jr
Susan G. Kempton, A G. Tripp, Gideon Wood
Betsey G. Wood N. H. Wilbur, John F. Tucker
Rachel S. Howland, Rebecca S. Howland, Committee.
New Bedford 5th mo 18th 1876.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Monthly Meeting's Committee on the subject of Temperance, to whom was referred the Communication from the Yearly Meetings Committee on the same subject, have attended to the duty with which they were charged –

They would inform the meeting that
Temperance they have made a canvass, nearly complete of our Members
Report with reference to the pledge proposed by the Yearly Meetings Committee –

The Work will doubtless be completed in time to meet the wishes of the Committee – Should the Monthly Meeting be willing, the Committee will proceed to finish their Work and send the result directly to the Yearly Mt'g's Committee

For the Committee
James B. Congdon
Susan T. Thompson

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

over

5mo 1876 To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to visit Benjn H. & Cynthia A. Kirby on acc their request to become Members of our religious Society have attended to that duty - Our interview with them was very satisfactory and we believe they are sincerely desirous of making progress in the way of truth - We are united in recommending their admission as members

Susan G. Kempton, Gideon Wood
Hannah S. Wing, Wm. G. Wing Com.

New Bedford 5th 24th 1876.

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

6Mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6th mo 22d 1876.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford - Alex. Hillman, Joseph Taber - Longplain Arnold G. Tripp & Seth S. Swift who are present except one -

J. P. Pennington
F. G. Cartland
David Douglass

Our beloved friends John P. Pennington of Spiceland Mo. Meeting and David Douglass of Raysville Mo. Mtg both of the State of Indiana and Ferrando G. Cartland of Deep River Mo Meeting, North Carolina attended this Meeting and presented certificates from their respective Meetings, expressing unity with them in their Ministry and with their present religious engagements their Company and Gospel labors, have been Acceptable to us - and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a Copy of this minute as it relates to each respectively -

R Binford + H N Jones

Our beloved friends Rachel Binford of Marysville Mo. Meeting, Tennesee and Harriet N. Jones of Litchfield Mo. Mtg, Maine attended this Meeting and presented testimonials from their respective Meetings expressing unity with them as ministers and with their present religious engagements - their Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a Copy of this minute as it relates to each -

Queries

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Jonathan Cowen, Peleg Slocum, Edw G. Dillingham and Jos. Grinnell to attend it as our representatives -

The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired - We appoint -

th Mo 1876 Overseers of the Poor — our friends Geo. Howland Jr, Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, Richard Davis, John Wood, Joshua L. Macomber and Matthew Barney to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment—

Our beloved friend Mellissa J. Pennington wife of our dear friend John P. Pennington attended this Meeting as Companion to her husband and presented a certificate from her Monthly Meeting expressing unity with her in her present engagement— her company has been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute—

Attest M. Howland, clerk.

7 Mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7th mo 27th 1876

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford John F. Tucker, Geo. Howland Jr. Long plain Benj. H. Slade & Peter D. Slade who are present—

Stanley Pumphrey — Our beloved friend Stanley Pumphrey attended this meeting and presented testimonials from Worcestershire and Shropshire Mo. Meeting England, endorsed by Western Quarterly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London, expressing unity with him and with his present religious engagements and that he is a minister in good esteem among them— his company and Gospel labors have been very acceptable and comforting to us—

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended—

Peleg Slocum & wife liberated to accompany S W Goddard — A communication was received from our beloved friends Peleg & Phebe B. Slocum informing us that Sarah W. Goddard had a prospect of attending the Yearly Meetings of Ohio and Iowa and desired they should accompany her— feeling their minds drawn to engage in this service, they request our certificate— After due consideration we unite therewith and certify that they are members of our religious society in good esteem amongus, and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a certificate embracing the substance of this minute—

We have received at this time 170 copies of the Printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and appoint Charles H. Howland, Peter D. Slade, David S. Wood, Arnold G. Smith, A Harvey Wilbor, and Lilburn H. Miller, a Committee to distribute them among our members—

Benjamin R. Akin having made a request

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through the Overseers for his minor Son Henry B. Akin to become a member of our religious Society, We appoint our friends Henry T. Wood and John F. Tucker to visit the family on Acc of this request and report to a future Meeting—

Committee on Management of A Pease Fund

We appoint Edw. W. Howland, Ezra Kelley and Geo. Howland Jr a Committee to take into consideration the subject of a Summons served on the Overseers at the request of a Committee from Longplain Preparative Meeting and report their judgement in relation thereto and this Meeting is now adjourned to meet on Sixth day the 4th of 8th mo. next at 2 o'clock P.M. to hear and act on said report—

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk

8Mo 1876

At the adjournment of New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8th mo 4th 1876.

Report of Com. on Management

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting to take into consideration the subject of the Management of "Abner Pease Fund" made the following report which being read and considered was referred back to the same Committee who are requested to submit it to the Representative meeting for their approval and report to our next meeting—

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to confer with the Overseers concerning the distributing of the Abner Pease fund make the following Report viz.—

They recommend that two Custodians be appointed from the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting— one from Long Plain Preparative Meeting the other from New Bedford to hold all the funds and receive all the income from said funds, and pay over said income as soon as received to the Long Plain Preparative Meeting or their duly authorized Agent or Treasurer that they may appoint to receive said income, the said Preparative Meeting to see that said income is disbursed according to the intent of the Donor and the Decree of the Court. The said meeting shall give the said Custodians a copy of the minutes

8mo 1876 or Record of the appointment of their said Agent or Treasurer to receive said income from said Custodians:- and who shall give his receipt therefor. The said Treasurer or Agent shall once in each year present to an auditing Committee to be appointed by New Bedford Monthly Meeting an account of all payments of said trust funds or income and shall produce vouchers for all money paid out and disbursed.

After said accounts have been audited the said Treasurer or Agent shall have said vouchers one year to be kept in some fire proof safe. At the end of the year said vouchers shall be given to said Custodians who shall give their receipt for the same the said Custodians shall put said Vouchers in the trunk where the securities of said fund are, to be kept in some fire proof safe so that the Long Plain Preparative Meeting can have access to them through the Custodians. Said trunk not to be opened except in the presence of both Custodians, providing however one of the Custodians should be sick or absent then one of the Overseers may act in his stead.

Edward W. Howland
New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr.
8th Mo. 2d 1876. Ezra Kelley
Com.

8mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8th mo 24th 1876.

Representatives to this meeting are from New Bedford John B. Baylies, James M. Tripp - Longplain Arnold G. Tripp and John Wood who are present except One, detained at home by sickness-

The report in regard to management of "Abner Pease Fund" presented at our last meeting having been approved by the "Representative Meeting" is now Accepted and adopted by this meeting and the clerk is directed to furnish Longplain Preparative Meeting with a Copy-

B R Akin
Recd from
Dartmouth

A Removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Benjamin R. Akin is Accepted with the Concurrance of Women's Meeting-

8 Mo 1876 The Committee appointed last month to visit the family of Benjamin R Akin on Account of a request to admit their son Henry B. as a member of our Religious society made the following report which being read and considered was accepted and with the concurrance of the Womens Meeting, we admit him into Membership with us and Henry T. Wood is appointed to inform them –

Henry B Akin
Received
a member

To the Monthly Meeting –

The Committee appointed last Month to visit the family of Benjamin R. Akin, on Account of his request that his Minor Son Henry B. might be received into Membership with our religious society, report that they have attended to that duty –

The interview was a pleasant one, both parents expressing themselves desirous that the request might be granted and appreciating the solemn importance of the step –

We recommend receiving him into membership –

New Bedford
8th mo 24th 1876
Henry T. Wood
John F Tucker, Committee

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

9th Mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9th mo 28th 1876.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford, Joseph Tripp, Charles Howland – Longplain Benjamin W. Slade and Seth S. Swift who are present –

Queries The queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2nd and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Seth K. Akin, Edw. G. Dillingham, Arnold G. Tripp and John B. Baylies to attend it as our representatives –

Lond Genl Epistle We have received 270 copies of the London Gen. Epistle for this year, which the Committee now under appointment for a similar purpose, with the addition of Benj. W. Slade and Joshua L. Macomber, are requested to distribute among our members and others in the habit of attending our Meetings and report when Accomplished –

Our friend William G. Wing who was appointed one of a Committee in the case of George M. Snow in 7th mo. 1873 having deceased we appoint Henry T. Wood to take the necessary care in his stead –

Attest Matthew Howland
Clerk.

1Mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10th mo. 26th 1876.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Chas. R. Tucker, Jas. B. Congdon - Longplain Jonathan Cowen and Benj W. Slade who are present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given -

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended with one exception, for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned -

J.L. Macomber The following complaint of the Overseers, received through Longplain Preparative Meeting, against Joshua L. Macomber being read and considered, we appoint our friends Henry T. Wood and Edw. W. Howland a Committee to visit him on account of this complaint and report to a future meeting -

The Committee appointed in the 3d mo 1871 to visit Chas. M. Tripp on account of his deviation by marriage with one not in Membership with us made the following report which being read is accepted, with the Concurrance of the Womens Meeting and the case dismissed -

Our beloved friend Josiah Holmes Jr returned to this meeting a Certificate furnished him in the 9th mo of last year to attend Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings and Meetings constituting them as truth may open the way - he also presented returning minutes from said meetings which being read are acceptable to us.

Josiah Holmes Jr
eturns Minute

At the same time he informed the meeting that owing to sickness, the service he had felt required of him, had not been fully performed and that the concern still rested on his mind - After due consideration, unity and encouragement were expressed with him in his prospect and he was liberated to finish the work assigned him under the guidance of best Wisdom - And the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Women's Meeting, in furnishing him with a Certificate in Accordance with above minute -

Another Minute
Granted him

The Committee appointed in 9th mo. 1875 to visit Jabez Wood on account of the Complaint against him by Overseers presented a Report at this time which being read was referred for consideration to our next Monthly Meeting -

Jabez Wood -

The following notice, in reference to members of this meeting recently deceased, having been presented and read, is adopted in Concurrance with the Women's Meeting -

The friend appointed in the 8th mo last to inform Benjamin R. Akin's family of the Conclusion of this Meeting in receiving his son Henry B. into membership reports he has informed them -

To the Monthly Meeting.

10mo 1876

We hereby inform you that Joshua L. Macomber has so far transgressed the laws of morality as to claim the attention of the Meeting

Longplain
10th mo 18th 1876.
Edw. G. Dillingham
Arnold G. Tripp, Overseers

To the Monthly Meeting.

Chas M. Tripp

After the New Discipline was adopted, making an entire change in relation to Marriage_ The Committee appointed to visit Chas. M. Tripp on Account of marriage, were of the opinion, that no further service was required of them; which they now state as the reason, why they did not consider it important to report_ Which is now submitted

New Bedford
10th mo. 26th 1876
Charles R. Tucker
Edw. W. Howland Committee

Testimony Concerning Wm G. Wing

As one after another of our members are removed by death we are reminded of the solemn truth that "here have we no continuing city"_ Yet we are comforted by the reflection that a number who have been taken from us, within the last few Months have left behind the sweet memorial of a life of consecration to God, and also the evidence of His sustaining presence in the hour of death_

To the Memory of our beloved friend William G. Wing we desire to record a brief tribute, and we would magnify the grace which enabled him to serve his generation according to the Will of God, and, trusting alone for salvation to His free Mercy in Christ Jesus, to meet death with composure in the assurance of faith_

He was indeed rich in faith, and it seemed given him to exemplify, by living experience, the truth that "God is able to make all grace abound towards" his trusting children, so that under every trial and vicissitude, he could rest in the calm assurance that "they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing"

"He being dead yet speaketh"_

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

11mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11th mo 23. 1876.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford David S. Wood, Benjamin Kirby; Longplain Edw. B. Tilla & Benj. H. Slade who are present—

Queries The Queries were read in this Meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2nd and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Edw. G. Dillingham, Benjamin Kirby, John F. Tucker, & John Wood to attend it as our representatives—

Q Meeting Stock We are informed by Sandwich Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of stock for the use of that meeting the ensuing year is 68 per cent of $1400. which Amount $952. our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that meeting when the state of our Funds will admit—

H. Sherman— The following request of Humphrey Sherman received through Longplain Preparative Meeting, to become a member of our religious Society being read and Considered we appoint Richard Lewis and Jonathan Bowen to visit him on Account of his request and report to a future Meeting—

J. L. Macomber The Committee appointed last month to visit Joseph L. Macomber on Account of a complaint brought against him by the Overseers made the following report which being read and considered was accepted by us but not having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting the subject was referred to our next meeting—

The joint Committee appointed for the purpose of promoting and encouraging suitable education in our society and especially scriptural instruction among our Members and others made a report at this time which was read and with the concurrence of the Womens meeting the Committee is continued and requested to report in 3d mo. next—

The report of the Committee in the case of Jabez Wood having been referred to this Meeting was again read and considered, but the Meeting not being prepared to come to any satisfactory conclusion, it was again postponed for further consideration—

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Having attended the Meetings of Friends, for some time have felt a wish to join your Society, and hereby request to become a member if found worthy—

Humphrey Shearman

Longplain 11th mo 14. 1876.

over

11th Mo 1876

To the Monthly Meeting:

Report of Com. in case of J L Macomber

The Committee appointed upon the complaint against Joshua L. Macomber of a breach of the moral law, have had a full interview with him upon the subject— He appeared sincerely penitent for his fault and earnestly desirous that Friends might overlook it and forgive him—

We submit this case to the judgement of the Meeting, with the recommendation (should his request be granted and he be retained in membership) that he be released from the station of Overseer—

New Bedford
11th mo. 17. 1876.

Henry T. Wood
Edward W. Howland

Testimony Concerning L A Ricketson

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them"

Another of our members has been removed from works to rewards, and we believe a tribute of love and esteem is due to the memory of our departed friend Lydia A. Ricketson in whose life the all-sufficient power of Divine grace was so abundantly magnified, raising her above the waves of life's stormy sea: enabling her through every conflict and close proving of her faith to cling to the Rock Christ Jesus her dear Redeemer. While praising His ever excellent name she was constrained to invite others to "Come, taste and see of His goodness—

She was concerned faithfully to occupy that which was entrusted to her until her Lord came and we reverently believe has received the answer "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things enter thou into the joy of thy Lord" and is now forever gathered into the mansions of eternal rest and joy, uniting with the innumerable company around her Fathers throne in the Anthem of alleluia, salvation, glory, honor and power unto the Lord our God—

Attest Matthew Howland Clerk.

12 mo 1876 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12 mo 28th 1876.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Henry T. Wood, Alex. Hillman - Longplain - Daniel S. Wing and Lilburn Miller who are present except One -

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

Com to Audit Treas a/c &c — We appoint our friends John F. Tucker, Gideon Wood, N. Hervey Wilbour and Jos. R. Wing, a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurer's Acc. propose a sum necessary to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, the name of a Friend for Treasurer and also to audit the several Trust funds under the care of this meeting and report next month -

Com in Case of Jabez Wood — The case of Jabez Wood referred from our last Meeting, being brought before us and again considered, and the Meeting not being able to arrive at any united or satisfactory conclusion, the matter was referred to another Committee (the friends now under appointment declining to serve longer) consisting of James B. Congdon, Edward W. Howland and John F. Tucker, who are requested to report to a future Meeting -

E K Haswell Removed to Sandwich — We concur with the Women's Meeting in granting a Removal certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting on behalf of Eliza K. Haswell -

The conclusion of this meeting upon the complaint of the Overseers against Joshua L. Macomber having again failed to receive the Concurrance of the Women's Meeting is postponed to our next Meeting -

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

1 mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1st mo 25, 1877.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Holder Howland, B. Franklin Howland, Longplain, Edwd G. Dillingham & Jas. D. Weeks who are present -

Thos B. Nichols — Our beloved friend Thomas B. Nichols attended this meeting and presented a Certificate from Vassalboro Mo. Meeting expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagement - his company and Gospel services have been acceptable to us - and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute -

The Committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurer's Acc. and audit the several Trust funds under the care of this meeting, made

1 Mo 1877 the following report which being read and considered
was Accepted and in Accordance therewith Henry T.
Treas. Appointed Wood is appointed Treasurer of this meeting for the
ensuing year or until another appointment and we
appoint John B. Baylies, B Franklin Howland, Albert H.
Holmes and Edw. G. Dillingham a Committee to receive
the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $850.
the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting
the ensuing year, pay the Amount to our Treas. & present
his receipt when Accomplished -

Com on Fund Charitable A Sherman Jr

We appoint our friends William C. Taber, Henry T.
Wood, Edw. W. Howland, and Geo. Howland Jr a Com.
to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to have
the Care & distribution for the year ensuing the income
arising from the Charitable Fund left by our late
friend Abm. Sherman Jr -

Com on Fund Educational Do

Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richard Davis,
and Edw. G. Dillingham are appointed a Committee to have the
care & distribution, for the ensuing year, of the income arising
from the Educational fund left for that purpose by the
above named friend -

J L Macomber Disowned

The subject of the complaint against Joshua
L. Macomber postponed from our last Meeting was again
brought before us, and as the Women's Meeting have not been
able to concur with us in our decision of the 11th mo. last,
we now reconsider our Action and after due deliberation revoke
our former decision, and with the concurrance of the Women's
meeting, disown him as a member of our Religious society and
Edw. G. Dillingham is appointed to inform him of the
action of this meeting -

H S Wing & Children Removed to Sandwich

A removal certificate on behalf
of Hannah S. Wing and minor children Mary E. & Wm
G. Wing to Sandwich Mo. Meeting, having been requested,
we appoint John T. Tucker and Gideon Wood a Committee
to unite with a similar Com. of Women friends, to take the
necessary care in the case & report to a future meeting -

William P. A. Lawrence and his Wife Elizth
S. having requested a removal certificate on behalf of
themselves and their daughter Mary Alice to Springdale
Mo. Meeting Iowa, we appoint John F. Tucker & Gideon Wood
to unite with a Committee from Women's Meeting in preparing
a certificate and report to this meeting -

Com. on Records

We appoint Gideon Wood, Richard Davis, John B.
Baylies Jonathan Cowan and Robt. B. Taber a Committee to examine
the Records of this meeting, ascertain if all births, deaths, Removals

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have been recorded, how many members are belonging to this meeting at the present time and report previously to our next Quarterly meeting -

Com on Temperance

The joint Committee appointed last year to promote the cause of Temperance among our members and in this Community made the following report which being read and considered was accepted, with the concurrance of Women's Meeting, and the Committee with the exception of Samuel Rodman deceased and Joshua L. Macomber disowned, are continued and requested to report in 3d mo. next -

Com. on Alms House Jail &c -

The joint Committee appointed to visit the inmates of Alms House, House of Correction and Jail for the purpose of administering the Comfort and Consolation of the Gospel, to this neglected portion of our Community, made the following report which being read proved acceptable and interesting to us and with the concurrance of the Women's Meeting we appoint James B. Congdon, Peleg Slocum, Matthew Howland, Chas. Taber, Chs. Howland Rufus Shearman Gideon Wood, John F. Tucker, David S. Wood, Geo. Howland Jr and Josiah Holmes Jr a Committee to unite with a similar Committee from the Womens Meeting and they are encouraged to attend faithfully to the object of their appointment and visit these several Institutions as Truth may open the way in order to promote our concern in this important duty and fulfil our Master's declaration, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me" and report to this meeting next year -

Pembroke Prep. Meeting Received

The following communication received from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting being read and considered, was accepted and we now receive those friends belonging to the late Pembroke Mo. Meeting as members of this Monthly Mtg and in accordance with Paragraph 1. Page 99 of our Discipline we recognize them as a Preparative Meeting belonging to this Meeting, to be held on the Third 5th day of each Month, with the privilege of holding a Midweek Meeting. No Meeting to be held on the day of our Monthly or Quarterly Meetings - In all of which we have the concurrance of the Women's Meeting and the Clerk is requested to inform all the Members of Pembroke Meeting of this decision -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends -

Your committee appointed in the 12th month last to examine the accounts for the past year of the Treasurer and of the different trust funds held

1 Mo 1877 by this meeting to propose an amount to be raised for the use of this meeting for the ensuing year and the name of a friend for Treasurer, report that they have attended to those duties and now submit the following—

Annual Report on Finances Account of the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting 1876

Quota rec^d from Long Plain	210.
" " " New Bedford	840.
Interest & dividend from Stocks	171.75
Tax on Stock ret^d from State	86.32
	$1308.07

Treas acct

1 mo. 1876 Balance due the Treasurer	90.61
Amt. paid for support of Poor	72."
" " Quarterly Mtng proportion Stk.	884."
" " refreshments at Qt. Mtng	46.41
" " Acushnet Water Rates	2.50
Balance in hands of Treasurer	212.55
	$1308.07

Securities examined —
Certificates for 23 Shs. Nat. Bk. of Com. N. B.
U. S. 5/20 Bond for $500 — Which agree with the Statement of the Treasurer.

Pease Fund Fund from the Estate of Abner Pease.

1876, 1 mo. Balance in the hands of Overseers	159.47
Dividends and Int. received	2655."
	$2814.47
Amt. p^d Long Plain Preparative Mg.	2567."
" " Taxes	95.34
Balance in the hands of Overseers	152.13
	$2814.47

Securities examined

Certificates for	65 shs Nat. Bk. Com. N. B.	@ 100,	6500."
" "	60 Shs. Mechts Nat. Bk.	" 130,	7800."
" "	40 " First Nat. "	" 120.	4800."
" "	31 " Mechanics " "	" 100.	3100."
" "	80 " Nat. Bk. Fairhaven	80.	6400."
" "	12 " B. & P. Railroad	100.	1200."
" "	3 " Gosnold Mills		300."
5000 U. S. 6%	Bond due 1881	at par	5000."
5000 U. S. 6%	5/20	" "	5000."
			$40100."

Which agree with the record of Custodians

1 mo 1877 Account of the Treasurer of Long Plain Preparative Meeting in connection with the Income from

Pease Fund the Abner Pease Fund.

1876, 1 mo. Balance on hand	143.29
Rec^d from Overseers of N. B. Mo. M.	2667. "
Balance being Amt. of expenditures in excess of receipts	367.42
	$3177.71

J. West Estate Amt. of expenditures during the Year $3177.71

Fund from the Estate of John West

1876, 1 mo. Balance in hands of Trustees	187.30
Amt. rec^d from 3 Acres land on Sconticut Neck	75. "
Dividends & Interest	535.40
Tax on Bk. Stock rec^d. from the State	149.87
	$947.57

Amt. pd. Court & legal expenses in sale of Land	8. "
Bal^ce of proceeds of Land depo^d in N. B. Ins. for Sav.	67. "
Amt. pd. 49 donations to individuals	528. "
Bal. in the hands of Trustees	344.57
	$947.57

Securities examined

Certificates of 46 shs. Merchts. Nat. Bk. New Bedford

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Deposit Bank of N. B. Ins. for Savings for $67. "

Charitable fund A Shearman Jr Abr^m. Shearman Jr. Charatable Fund

1876, 1 mo. Bal^ce in hands of Committee	49.29
Dividends rec^d	153. "
Tax on Bk. stock rec^d. from the State	78.15
	$280.44

Amt. donated to 34 Persons ……	201. "
Bal. in hands of Committee	79.44
	$280.44

Securities examined

Certificates for 17 Sh^s. Merchts. Nat. Bk. N. B.

1 Mo 1877 Abm. Shearman Educational Fund ——

A Sherman Jr Educational Fund

1876 1 mo 21 Bal. in hands of Committee	43.60
Dividends recd	126. "
Tax on Stock recd from the State	64.35
	$ 233.95

Amt. paid tuition & board of 2 children at Friends School Provd.	115.63
Bal. in hands of Committee	118.32
	$ 233.95

Securities examined — Certs. 14 Shs. Merchts. Nat. Bk. N.Y.

S Howland Bequest

Susan Howland Bequest ——

1876 1 mo. 25th Bal. in hands of Overseers	30. "
Interest recd	60. "
	$ 90. "

Amts. pd 6 Friends traveling in ministry	50. "
Bal. in hands of Overseers	40. "
	$ 90. "

Securities examined —
One 6 per cent bond of the City of N.B. due in 1898 for $1000. which agrees with the statement in the Acc. Book of the Overseers

The different Accounts seem to have been correctly kept the expenditures appear to have been properly made and are accompanied by sufficient vouchers.
We recommend that the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars be raised for the use of this meeting for the ensuing year and we propose the name of our Friend Henry T. Wood for Treasurer —

John T. Tucker)
Gideon Wood (For the Committee
N. Henry Wilbur)

To the New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends —
The time for which the Committee appointed to promote the cause of Temperance having expired they now present their report —
The collective labors of the Committee have been mostly confined to that

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Report of m. Temperance

part of the work assigned them which is set forth in the concluding part of the minute: "to carry out as far as practical the recommendations contained in a circular sent down by the Committee appointed on this important subject by the Yearly Meeting". The results of this action on the part of the Committee has been laid before the Monthly Meeting and having received its sanction were transmitted to the Yearly Meeting In relation to this subject it does not appear that the Committee at present are called upon to make any further communitation. The Committee's labors were it is understood satisfactory to the Yearly Meeting. Individually the members of the Committee have been it is believed faithful in their own practice of the principle of total abstinence and faithful to their engagement to labor for its wider adoption. At this time the Committee have no further communication to make to the Meeting But looking at the present aspect of the Temperance Cause and under an apprehension of special duty arising out of our indirect connection with the Yearly Meeting we would think it expedient to have the Committee continued until the Third Month and that the final report be delayed until that time. There is a field white for the harvest for the work of the Committee and perhaps they may have it in their power not only to do somewhat for the Cause in our own community but to contribute in some humble degree to the efforts of the Yearly Meeting.

Submitted for the Committee
1st Mo. 25th 1877. James B. Congdon
Anna I. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting - - - - - - - - -

Report of Com Alms House Jail &c

The Joint Committee appointed 1 mo. 27th 1876 to visit the inmates of the Alms House House of Correction & Jail would now Report. It is thought that it may be satisfactory to the meeting to be informed that during the year there has been more accomplished in the way of visitation than on any previous year. Generally these visits have been made by the individual members as they have been led by a sense of duty

1mo 1877 and a recognition of their engagement under the appointment of the meeting to attend

Report of Com the meetings held in the House of Correction

Alms House and Alms House at the appointed times

Jail &c- Some visits have been made when all the members of the Committee have been informed and requested to be present. At a number of the meetings public Friends have attended generally under arrangements made by the Committee

It gives us much pleasure to inform the meeting that those who have had the official charge of the arrangements for religious services at these institutions have done all in their power to give assistance to the committee in the discharge of the duty which has been placed upon them by the Meeting We have reason to believe that those having the immediate charge of the poor and the prisoner are pleased at the course Friends have taken and with the visits and exercises which have resulted from it and opportunities have not been wanting by which we have been led to believe that many of those who are the subjects of the concern of the Monthly Meeting have been favorably impressed with this evidence of the Meetings solicitude

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford James B. Congdon

1mo. 18th 1877 Silvia G. Howland

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends,

We would inform you that henceforth

Communication Pembroke Mo. Meeting is to be discontinued and the Members

from Q. Meeting Composing it are joined to your Meeting, and they are to

on Pembroke receive the income & benefit of any Fund now held by them, and should they require any aid, it shall be rendered at the charge of the Quarterly Meeting and direction has been given that after their next meeting, they cease to transact any further business in the capacity of a Monthly Meeting and that the clerk forward the Books and Papers belonging to said meeting to the clerk of your Meeting for safe keeping.-

From the minutes of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 10th mo 5th 1876. Matthew Howland, Clerk

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

2mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2nd mo 22d 1877.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Geo. Howland Jr., Alex. Hillman — Longplain Richard Davis, Peter D. Slade — Pembroke, Nathan T. Shepherd who are present except one —

The Committee appointed last month to receive the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $850. the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, presented our Treasurer's receipt for the same —

W P A Lawrence & family Removed

The joint Committee appointed last month to prepare Removal Certificates on behalf of Wm P. A. Lawrence his Wife Elizabeth S. and Daughter Mary Alice to Springdale Mo. Meeting Iowa and on behalf of Hannah G. Wing & minor children Mary E. and Wm G. Wing Jr to Sandwich, Mass. presented them at this time and are approved, having the concurrance of the Women's Meeting and the Clerk is directed to sign and forward them on our behalf —

The following communication received through Longplain Preparative Meeting from Sarah L. Macomber requesting that her two children Lilla M. & Wm B. Macomber be admitted into membership with us being read & considered we appoint Edwd G. Dillingham and Benj. W. Slade a Committee to unite with a similar Committee from the Women's Meeting to visit them on Acc. of the request. and report to a future Meeting —

Books & Papers of Pembroke Mo Mtg

We have received at this time the Books and Papers belonging to the late Pembroke Mo. Meeting as ordered by the Quarterly Meeting — also a list of members belonging to said meeting which is directed to be placed in the hands of our Recorder —

Pembroke Preparative Meeting) —

At the request of members belonging to Pembroke Preparative Meeting we authorize them to hold their Meeting jointly for the transaction of any business that may come before them —

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Being myself a member of your Religious Society I would request that my children Lila M. and William B. Macomber become members of your body if Friends approve.

Sarah L. Macomber

First mo 17th 1877.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

omitted in above Acc — The Committee appointed in the 12th mo 1876 to whom was referred the case of Jabez Wood made a report at this time, which being read, the consideration thereof was postponed to our next Mo. Meeting —

Attest M. H. clerk.

3 Mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3d mo 22d 1877.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Charles Howland, John B. Baylies – Longplain Seth S. Swift, Benjamin W. Slade – Pembroke – Jos. R. Shepherd who are present except two –

Queries The Queries were read, with Answers from all our Preparative Meetings, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting & appoint our friends Edw. W. Howland, Henry T. Wood, Isaac L. Cowen, and Edw. G. Dillingham to attend it as our representatives –

Temperance Committee The joint Committee appointed to promote the Cause of Temperance among our Members and in the community at large made the following report which being read and considered was Accepted with Concurrance of Womens Meeting and appoint our friends James B. Congdon, Charles Taber, John F. Tucker, Henry T. Wood, Edw. G. Dillingham, Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, Geo. Kempton, Richd Davis and Arnold G. Tripp a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to take such Action as may seem right and proper to promote in every way in their power the advancement of this cause and encourage in love a total abstinence from all intoxicating beverages by our members and the Community and to report to this Meeting next year –

Educational Committee The joint Committee appointed for the purpose of promoting and encouraging Education, especially scriptural instruction among our Members and those in attendance of our First-day Schools, made the following report, which being read & considered was Accepted with the concurrance of the Women's meeting and we appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, James B. Congdon, Noah Harvey Wilbour, Peleg Slocum, Charles Taber, Jonathan Cowen, Rufus Shearman, John Wood Jr, John S. Wright, Richd Davis Jr, David S. Wood, Edward B. Hiller and Wm D. Eldridge a Committee to unite with a similar Committee appointed by the Women, and they are encouraged to use all available means to further this desirable object amongus and report to this meeting next year –

The Consideration of the report of the Committee in the case of Jabez Wood, having been referred to this Meeting, after due deliberation, the report, together with a Communication received from him dated 3 mo. 19. 1877 is directed to be placed in the hands of the Committee, now under appointment viz. Jas. B. Congdon, Edw. W. Howland & John F. Tucker and they are requested to consider the subject as now presented and report their judgement in the case to our next monthly Meeting –

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S L Macomber's Children Rec^d The joint Committee appointed to visit the family of Sarah L. Macomber in reference to her request for her children Lilla M. and Wm B. Macomber, to become members of our religious Society made the following report, which being read and considered was Accepted, and having the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting, they are now received into membership with us and Edw. G. Dillingham is appointed on the part of this Meeting to inform them -

We are informed that our proportion of Stock to the Quarterly Meeting has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting -

The Committee appointed to examine our Records made the following report, which being read proved satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward the information contained therein to the Quarterly Meeting -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting -

Report on Records & Membership The Committee appointed in the 1st Mo. last to examine the records - report that we have examined them as directed and find they have been properly Kept, with the exception of one death, which has since been recorded, that our number has been diminished the past year, 15 by death, 6 have removed out by certificate and one disowned - We have received by request, One by certificate, and there have been two births - We have also had an Accession of 17 members from Pembroke -

Our Membership in the several Meetings appears to be as follows
In New Bedford 232. Acushnet 21. Mattapoisett 15 Pembroke 17
" Fairhaven 42. Longplain 45. Nantucket 10 Total 382. of this number 41 are still living without the limits of the Monthly Meeting, and all of these or nearly all, beyond the limits of any Meetings of Friends -

Of those removed by death, one was a minister, three were Elders and one an Overseer of the Mo. Meeting -

Sally M. Barney, Nantucket - Mary Gifford, Fairhaven
Hannah Bowman N. Bedford. Mary Shove N. Bedford
Chs. W. Crapo - " . Wm G. Wing Do.
Sylvia R. Hawes, Acushnet - Ann R. Taber Do.
Samuel Rodman, N. Bedford - Cynthia Wilbur Do
Lydia A. Ricketson, Acushnet - George Almy Do. Hannah H.
Mary Ann Howland, Fairhaven, Chs. R. Tucker - Do Howland Jr Fairhaven -

New Bedford
3 mo 21st 1877 Gideon Wood, Jonathan Cowen,
John B. Bayliss and Robt. B. Taber
Committee.

3 Mo 1877 To New Bedford Mo. Meeting.

The Joint Committee to promote the cause of Temperance among our members and in the community appointed in the First month 1876 now present their third report since their appointment.

Report of Committee on Temperance—

At the meeting in the First month last a report was presented and the Committee continued to the present time. The action of the under the minute of the Yearly Meeting is fully set forth in our former reports. Since our last report no associated effort has been made that need here be noticed. The minute by which the Committee was continued speaks of the decease of Samuel Rodman whose name was contained in the original appointment. We apprehend that it is our duty to notice more fully in this report the connection which our deceased friend sustained to the cause to promote which the action of this meeting has been taken. To do this we adopt the language of a report which has already been given to the public.

"He saw" says the report "that among all classes intemperance in the use of intoxicating drinks was ruinous to the estates, the bodies and souls of men. His efforts for the extermination of this terrible scourge were then commenced and they ended only with his life. For half a century he labored in this community for the cause of Temperance. Firm and immovable in the conviction that total abstinence from all that can intoxicate is the only safe practice for the individual, the only course open to those who would lead the wanderers back to the pathway of safety and the only principle that legislation can profitably take for its guidance when it would apply the restraints of law to the evil of intemperate drinking".

We have said that this is a field white for the harvest for the work of this committee. We may add for the work of all who have a regard for the welfare of men and the well being of the community. The cause of total abstinence from the use of those beverages which produce intoxication makes a call upon the best and most devoted of individual and associated effort.

The Committee has no plan of proceedings to propose for the future. They are

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impressed with the conviction that it will be well to continue the committee. The Monthly meeting will thereby manifest its interest in the work and have ready for labor an agency prepared for the performance of any duty in this direction which may be presented. The individuals of the committee will have their zeal increased and their sympathies quickened for any general duty that may present itself in connection with the cause and all our members will, we believe have their interest thereby kept alive and it may be increased.

Report on Temperance

It may be proper for the Committee to present briefly some of the leading aspects of the Temperance Cause ~~at this~~ time!

1. It is, it is believed very generally acknowledged that the license law is a failure.

2. It is believed that the conviction is widening and deepening, that with regard to the use of intoxicating drinks prohibition is the wisest legislation

3. There are those conversant with the subject who [illegible] believe that the present General Court will make some important changes for the better in the existing laws.

4. The work of reform among the inebriates continues to present encouraging aspects.

5. The conviction it is believed is gaining ground that the only reliable foundation for a full and permanent reform must be an individual conviction that our own safety and the welfare of others call upon us wholly to abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks.

6. In view of existing circumstances it is thought that the Yearly Meeting might probably cause to be published for general circulation a brief manual which should set forth the sanitary, social, civil, moral and religious aspects of the subject of Temperance.

James B. Congdon
Anna G. Wood
for the Committee

New Bedford
3 mo. 22 1877.

3 Mo 1877 To New Bedford Mo. Meeting

Report on Education

The Committee on Education submit the following report which shows as nearly as they can learn the state of the Bible Schools in the different meetings.

New Bedford - The average attendance since the last report of the Committee has been 12 Officers and Teachers and 56 Scholars. The school has resently been increasing in interest and numbers.

The Mission School at the Howland Chapel has been maintained during the year with an average attendance of 100. The Superintendant and about one half the teachers at this school are Friends

Fairhaven - The Bible Class held immediately after the meeting on first day numbers 16. Much interest is manifested by the members and we trust much benefit is experienced.

Acushnet - The school is held regularly at the close of the meeting on First day in the form of a Bible Class and consists of 14 members all of whom are members of the Society except one and all are adults except 3. The class seems to have become a second part of the meeting as the members are much attached to it and believe it is the means of much good. Death has reduced the class during the year and Lydia Ricketson James Davis and Sylvia Hawes will be much missed

Long Plain - The school here seems to be in a prosperous condition: it has been maintained during the entire year with an attendance of 26 scholars and 4 teachers, of the scholars 20 are Friends of the teachers 3.

Mattapoisett - The school has been somewhat unsettled during the past year by the change of Superintendants but the number at present attending is 38 Scholars and 5 teachers making with the Librarian a total of 44. There are no Friends children in attendance. A large proportion of the Scholars attend the meeting also.

The total average attendance at the schools reported is 242 Scholars and 23 Teachers.

3d Mo 1877 Nine members of this Monthly Meeting are scholars at the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, 5 are in public schools. 6 in private schools and 2 at college. Five of our members are engaged in teaching.

On behalf of the Committee
David S. Wood
N. Hervey Wilbur
Susan T. Thompson

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

We have attended to our appointment in regard to a request for membership for Lila May and Wm. B., Minors children of Geo. A and Sarah E. Macomber. Our interview with the family was interesting and satisfactory and we are united in believing that it will be right to receive them as members of our religious Society which we submit to the judgement of the Monthly Meeting

On behalf of the Committee
E. G. Dillingham
Susan S. Tripp
Benj. W. Slade
Susan G. Kempton

4th Mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4th mo 26th 1877.

Representatives from New Bedford John F. Tucker, Holder Howland – Longplain Jonathan Cowen, N Hervey Wilbur who are present, with no report from Pembroke –

John Y. Hoover Our beloved friend John Y. Hoover attended this meeting and presented a Certificate from Springdale Mo. Meeting, endorsed by Springdale Quarterly Mtg, Iowa expressing unity with him as a minister, of the gospel of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ, and with his present religious engagements – his Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us –

Our beloved friend Henry A. Jepson attended this Meeting as Companion to our friend John Y. Hoover and presented a Certificate from Springdale Mo. Meeting expressing unity with him as a member in good esteem among them and with his present engagement – his company has been Acceptable to us – and the clerk is directed to furnish these friends with a copy of these minutes

4th Mo 1877 as they relate to each respectively

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended –

Report of Com. in Case of Jabez Wood.

The Committee to whom was referred the case of Jabez Wood made the following report which being read and considered was Accepted and after due deliberation, and having the Concurrance of the Women's Meeting, we are united in retaining him a member of our religious Society, but release him from occupying the station of an Elder; and William C. Taber is appointed to inform him of this decision – the Clerk is also directed to inform the Quarterly Meeting and Meeting of Ministers & Elders of his release from the station of Elder –

Wm D Eldridge & G P Swift propose Marriage

The following Communication received from William D. Eldridge and Gulielma P. Swift informing us of their intention of taking each other in marriage – We appoint Arnold G. Tripp and Edw. G. Dillingham a Committee to make inquiry as to their clearness to proceed in marriage and the parties are requested to wait until our next Mo. Meeting for an answer –

Geo M Snow Released

The Committee appointed in the case of George M. Snow now residing in Salt Lake City, Utah, report that they have had Communication with him and he expresses an attachment to all who love our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ and informs us that for several years he has been connected with another religious denomination, which being considered and having the concurrance of the Women's Meeting, we release him as a member of this society and Henry T. Wood is appointed to inform him of this conclusion –

Com on Overseers

We appoint our friends Edw. W. Howland, Jno. B. Baylies, Jonathan Cowen, Gideon Wood, and N Henry Wilbur a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends and they are requested to present to our next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers for the year ensuing or until another appointment

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends,

With Divine permission and your approbation we intend marriage –

William Delano Eldridge
Fairhaven. Gulielma Penn Swift
4th mo 25th 1877.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting –

I desire to express to you my sincere regret for having been led into proceedings contrary to discipline and good order, and opposed to the requirements of the

4 Mo 1877 Gospel - I now sincerely condemn the same and trust with Divine help to be preserved therefrom in future, and much desire that you will pass them by, and continue me in membership

Jabez Wood

Philadelphia 3d mo 19th 1877.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

The committee in the case of Jabez Wood have carefully considered the subject the second time referred to them and have endeavored to be faithful to their own convictions of duty and the claims of the meeting. The first impression derived from the changed aspect of the case caused by the communication from the Friend under dealings dated the 19th ultimo is this that it has relieved the Committee and the Meeting from the necessity of further scrutiny as to the circumstances in which the complaint originated. If the note to the meeting has claims to the meetings attention it is upon the ground that there is in it a confession as well as a plea. If this view is correct the committee are clearly of opinion that their duty is discharged by presenting this simple view to the meeting. They do not feel at liberty to go beyond this. There can be nothing to investigate in this expression of sorrow for wrong doing and plea for forgiveness and forbearance. It is not as we apprehend within the province of any committee to pass judgement upon its character or claims It stands before the meeting a simple fact of the weight to which it is entitled upon the question of membership, which is the only question, the meeting are the only proper judges.

James B. Congdon
Ed. W. Howland
John F. Tucker

5mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5th mo. 24. 1877.
Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Edw. T. Tucker, Henry T. Wood Longplain Lilburn Hiller, Peter D. Slade - Pembroke Nathan T. Shepherd who are present except One -

Clerks The time for which the clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, Henry T. Wood on behalf of the representatives proposed the names of Matthew Howland for Clerk and Charles Taber for Assistant Clerk, which being united with by this meeting, they are appointed to those stations for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

Recorders The time for which the Recorder & Assistant Recorders of this Meeting were appointed having expired we appoint Peter D. Slade, David S. Wood & Benjn. Slade a Committee to take this subject into Consideration and propose to our next Meeting the names of suitable friends to fill these stations for the ensuing year -

William D. Eldredge and Gulielma P. Swift having last month declared their intention of taking each other in marriage and nothing appearing to prevent and they having consent of surviving Parents and the concurrance of the Women's Meeting, are now allowed to solemnize said Marriage in Accordance with the order of our Society and a Religious Meeting is now appointed to be held at the house of Seth C. Swift, Fairhaven on Third day 6th mo 5th 1877 at 7 P.M. to solemnize said Marriage and Matthew Howland and Weston Howland are appointed a Committee to attend the Marriage, present the Certificate to our Recorder and report to our next Meeting -

Peleg & Phebe B Slocum return Minute Our beloved friends Peleg & Phebe B. Slocum returned to this meeting at this time a minute granted them in the 7th mo. 1876 to accompany our friend Sarah W. Goddard on a religious visit to the Yearly Meetings of Ohio and Iowa and some of the Meetings constituting them - they also presented many returning minutes from Meetings which they attended, expressing the satisfaction and Comfort their Company and Labors had been to those, with whom their lot had been cast - all of which is Acceptable and encouraging to us -

The Joint Committee appointed last month to propose to this Meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers, presented the following report which being Considered was Acceptable and having the concurrance of the Womens Meeting we appoint our

5 Mo 1877 friends Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, Peleg Slocum, Edw. G. Dillingham, Arnold G. Tripp, Abraham Gifford and Matthew Barney as Overseers of this meeting for the year
Overseers ensuing or until another appointment - We also concur with the Women's Meeting in the appointment of Rebecca C. Grinnell Mary C. Baylies, Ruth S. Wood, Ann A. Macomber, Betsey Hiller, Susan S. Tripp, Adelaide V. Wilbur, Sarah Swain, and Ruth Ann Shepherd to the same station for the ensuing year -

The friend appointed last month to inform George M. Snow of the Conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has informed him -

To the Monthly Meeting -

We give our consent to the Marriage of Wm D. Eldredge

Fairhaven
5th mo 23. 1877.
K. S. Eldredge
Patience S. Davis

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting

We freely give our Consent to the marriage of our daughter Gulielma P. Swift with William D. Eldredge -

Fairhaven
5th mo 23d 1877.
Seth S. Swift
Eliza B. Swift

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

Com to Visit Pembroke Omitted above - We appoint Gideon Wood, Edw. G. Dillingham and John F. Tucker a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit the members of Pembroke Preparative Meeting in the love of the Gospel and render them such advice and encouragement as they may seem to need and report to this meeting -

Attest M Howland, Clerk.

6 Mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6th mo. 28th 1877.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Jas. M. Tripp, Chas. W. Ryder - Longplain Isaac L. Cowen, Seth S. Swift - Pembroke James West, who are present except one -

Queries The Queries were read at this time with Answers from all our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, Edw. G. Dillingham, Chas. H. Howland and Seth S. Swift to attend it as our representatives -

The Committee appointed last month to propose to this meeting the names of suitable friends to serve

6 M^o 1877 as Recorder and Assistants made the following report
which being read & considered was Accepted and in Accordance
Recorders therewith Edward T. Tucker is appointed Recorder, and
Jonathan Cowen and Benj W. Slade Assistant Recorders
of this Meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment-

The following communication received from
B G Perry & Benjamin G. Perry and Isabella L. Cowen, the former not a member
Isabella Cowen of our religious society, informing us of their intention of taking each
propose Marriage other in Marriage - We appoint Arnold G. Tripp & Edw. G. Dillingham
a Committee to make inquiry as to their clearness to proceed in
marriage and report to this Meeting next month -

W D Eldridge The Committee appointed last month to attend
G P Swift the marriage of Wm D. Eldridge and Gulielma P. Swift report
Married that the marriage was solemnized in an orderly & satisfactory
manner and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder -

The Committee appointed to visit Friends in
Pembroke meeting made the following Report which being
read was Accepted and they are continued in that service
and labor of love to report to a future Meeting -

One of the Committee appointed in the 11th mo
Com. in Case last to visit Humphrey Shearman on Account of his request
H Sherman to become a member of our Society, having been removed by death,
We appoint Benjamin W. Slade in his place to unite with
Jonathan Cowen the other member of the Committee, in
accomplishing the object of the appointment and report their
judgement in the case to a future Meeting -

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed last month
to bring forward the names of Friends for Recorder & Assistants
propose for Recorder Edw. T. Tucker, Assistants Jonathan Cowen
and Benjamin W. Slade

Daid S. Wood
On behalf of the Com. Benjamin W. Slade

New Bedford 6th mo. 28th 1877.

To the Monthly Meeting.

With Divine permission & Friends approbation
we intend marriage with each other.

Fairhaven
6th mo 28th 1877.

Benjamin G. Perry
Isabella L. Cowen

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to visit Friends
and their Meeting at Pembroke report, that we have given
Com on Pembroke attention thereto - We have visited them and mingled with
Report them in their families and in Meeting, and were very kindly
welcomed - but believing that further attention might be useful, we
do not feel ready to make a final report - Edw. G. Dillingham
New Bedford 6th mo. 27th 1877. Anna G. Wood

7mo 1877

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7mo 26th 1877.

Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Edw. T. Tucker, Jas. B. Congdon - Longplain, Benj. W. Slade, Edward B. Hiller - Pembroke - Lydia G. Randall who were present except the latter -

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended with one exception -

Benjamin G. Perry and Isabella L. Cowen the former not a member of our Religious Society, having last month declared their intention of taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to prevent, and they having consent of Parents and the concurrance of the Woman's Meeting, are now allowed solemnize said marriage in accordance with the order of our Society and a Religious Meeting is appointed to be held at the house of Isaac L. Cowen, Fairhaven on Third-day 8th mo. 14th at 2½ oclock P.M. to solemnize said marriage and Matthew Howland and Gideon Wood are appointed a Committee to attend the marriage, present the Certificate to our Recorder and report to this Meeting next Month -

Q. M. Stock

A communication received from the clerk of the Quarterly Meeting informs us that our proportion of stock for the use of that Meeting is $952. which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when in possession of the necessary funds -

Committee on Foreign Missions

Through the Quarterly Meeting we are also informed that our last Yearly Meeting requested the appointment of Committees by the several Monthly Mtg's to assist in promoting the concern of the Yearly Meeting in the cause of Foreign Missions - In accordance with this direction, this meeting appoints the following friends viz. David S. Wood, Edw. T. Tucker, N. Hervey Wilbur, Abbot P. Smith and Charles Taber to unite with such as may be appointed by the Women's Meeting to labor as way may open for it in aid of this interesting concern and they are especially requested to spread such information as may come to their knowledge respecting the mission sustained by Friends on Mt Lebanon in Syria, and as far as they may be able to commend this important concern to the sympathy and support of Friends -

A communication received from Springdale Mo. Meeting, West Branch, Iowa informs us of their having received and accepted our Removal certificate on behalf of Wm P. Lawrence and family -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

8 Mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8th mo 23d 1877.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Joseph Taber, Chas. H. Howland – Longplain Peter D. Slade & John R. Davis – Pembroke Sarah J. Brown who are present except two –

Com. in Case of J.L. Macomber. The following request of Joshua L. Macomber received through Longplain Preparative Meeting, to be restored to membership in our religious Society being read and considered, We appoint Ezra Kelley & John F. Tucker to visit him on Account of his request and report their judgement in the Matter to a future Meeting –

Com. in Case of H. Sherman Report – The Committee appointed last month to visit Humphry Shearman on Account of his request to become a member of our religious Society made the following report which being read was Accepted and after due Consideration way did not open to receive him into membership at this time and Jos. R. Wing was appointed to inform him of this decision – the Committee are released from further service –

B.G. Perry I.L. Cowen Married The Committee appointed last month to have the care and Oversight of the marriage of Benjamin G. Perry and Isabella L. Cowen report, that the marriage was orderly and satisfactorily accomplished and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder –

J. Holmes Jr returns Minute At the request of Friends, the Shutters were raised and our beloved friend Josiah Holmes Jr returned to this meeting a minute granted him in 10th mo last to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and Smithfield and the Meetings constituting them, also to visit Families and individuals within their limits as truth may open the way – He expressed that this labor of love had been Accomplished to satisfaction and much peace of mind – he also brought a returning minute from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting and one from Smithfield Mo. Meeting signifying that his company and Gospel labors had been Acceptable – all of which is satisfactory and encouraging to us –

We have received at this time 270 copies of the Printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and appoint Chas. H. Howland, Jonathan Cowen, Peter D. Slade, Edw. G. Dillingham and Edward B. Hiller a Committee to distribute them among our members and report to this meeting when Accomplished –

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

8 Mo. 1877 I have for sometime felt it a duty to request to be reinstated a member of your meeting if found worthy—

Mattapoisett   Joshua L. Macomber.
7th mo 23d 1877.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Your Committee to visit Humphrey Sherman on account of his request to become a member of our Society, have conversed with him, and considered the subject carefully, but cannot recommend granting his request—submitting the same for your decision—

Acushnet   Jonathan Cowen
8th mo 18th 1877—   Benjamin W. Slade, Com.

Attest M Howland, clerk.

9 Mo. 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9th mo 27th 1877.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Edward T. Tucker, Jas. M. Tripp—Longplain Weston Howland, Jos. R. Wing—Pembroke, Mary G. West who are present with one exception—

Queries The Queries were read in this Meeting and Answers to the 1st 2nd " and 10th from all our Preparative Meetings, a summary of which, was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Edw. W. Howland, Holder Howland, Benjn W. Slade and Jonathan Cowen, to attend it, as our representatives—

Pembroke Prep. Mtg Suspended The joint Committee appointed to visit Pembroke Preparative Meeting and render such advice to the members as may seem required under the circumstances made the following report, which being read & considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, Pembroke Preparative Meeting is now suspended for the present and its members are attached to N. Bedford Preparative Meeting during the time of its suspension

Com. App. to visit— and we appoint Josiah Holmes Jr, Gideon Wood, John F. Tucker, Edw. G. Dillingham and Matthew Howland a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, to render that Meeting such advice & assistance as way may open for in the truth and report to a future Meeting—

Mary A. Smith Received rom Providence We concur with the Womens Meeting in accepting a Removal Certificate from Providence Mo. Meeting on behalf of Mary A. Smith—

9mo 1877

The Committee appointed last month to visit Joshua L. Macomber on account of his request to be reinstated a member of our religious Society made the following report which being read and considered was accepted and the Committee are continued in this service to report at a future Meeting –

The friend appointed last month to inform Humphry Shearman of the conclusion of this meeting in regard to his request reports he has attended to this duty –

Committee on Dartmouth Records

We appoint Henry T. Wood, Edward W. Howland and Edw. T. Tucker a Committee to associate with a similar Committee to be appointed by Dartmouth Mo. Meeting for the purpose of having the Records of that meeting, prior to the organization of New Bedford Mo. Meeting copied and put in a place of safety and call on the Treasurer to pay our proportion of expense –

The Committee appointed last month to distribute the Printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and other matter report they have attended to the duty assigned them –

To the Monthly Meeting –

The Committee appointed on the application of Friends of Pembroke Preparative Meeting report – That we have given attention to the subject, and have visited them in their meetings, and after considering the matter to the best of our ability, would recommend that the Preparative Mtg be discontinued for the present, and the Friends in that Meeting be attached to N. Bedford Preparative Meeting, and would also suggest, that a Committee may still have care of the Meeting to assist & encourage Friends there, in their isolated position –

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford
9th mo 26th 1877.

Edward G. Dillingham
Anna G. Wood

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed last month to visit Joshua L. Macomber on account of his request to be reinstated a member of our religious Society report – that they have had an interview with him on that subject.

While desirous of returning to Friends, he expressed a wish that his application, should not be untimely pressed upon the Meeting, and in view of this fact, the Committee recommend that acting upon his request should be deferred for the present –

New Bedford
9th mo 13th 1877.

Ezra Kelley
Edw. T. Tucker, Com.

10 mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10th mo 25. 1877.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Robert B. Taber, Benjamin H. Kirby — Longplain John Wood and Richd Davis Jr who are present —

Our Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended —

Com. to Collect for Poor in South — The following Communication having been received from a Committee appointed by our last Yearly Mtg for the purpose of aiding the hitherto neglected and ignorant classes in the South and being read and considered, We appoint Robt. B. Taber, Edw. B. Hiller, Gideon Wood, B. Franklin Howland and Richd Davis Jr a Committee to receive the Subscriptions of Friends for this benevolent purpose and pay the sum over to Matthew Howland Treas. of the Comtee and report to this meeting when accomplished —

C. D. C. Howland Request — The following request from Carrie D. C. Howland for herself and two minor children Cyrus Chapman Howland and Blanche Russell Howland to become Members of our religious society being read and considered, We appoint Gideon Wood and Geo. Howland Jr a Committee to unite with a Committee of Women friends to visit them on Account of this request and report their judgement to a future Meeting —

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting —

Dear friends, The Committee appointed by the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends to aid the hitherto neglected and ignorant classes in the Southern States, as set forth in a postscript to North Carolina Epistle of last year, hereby request each of our Monthly Meetings to make Contributions and appoint one or more of their members to solicit Contributions in their respective meetings, and forward the same to the Treasurer Matthew Howland, New Bedford previous to 11 mo 1st 1877 —

Portsmouth, R. I. On behalf of Committee
9th mo 15. 1877. Joseph E. Macomber, Clerk.

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting.

I have been feeling for some time past that it would be a very great satisfaction to my mind, for myself and children to become Members of some christian society, and as I also feel fully persuaded, that the Society of Friends would be my choice, I would request for myself and two minor Children Cyrus Chapman Howland, and Blanche Russell Howland, my Husband being already a Member, that we be Accepted as members of your Society.

Respectfully
Carrie D. C. Howland.

New Bedford
10 mo 15th 1877.

attest, M Howland, Clerk.

11 Mo 1877 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11th mo 22. 1877. The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford, Holder Howland and Seth K. Akin, from Long Plain Edward G. Dillingham and Arnold G. Tripp who are present

Clerks for Day The Clerk and Assistant clerk being both absent at this time Henry T Wood is appointed clerk and John F Tucker assistant clerk, for the day.

Queries The Queries have been read in this meeting, with answers from the several Preparative Meetings to the first, second and tenth. A summary of these has been approved and is directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, and we have appointed James B. Congdon, William C. Taber, Edward G. Dillingham and N. Hervey Wilbur to attend that meeting as our representatives.

Peace Jones Our beloved friend Peace Jones attended this meeting and produced a certificate from China Monthly Meeting expressive of unity with her as a minister and with her present religious engagements. Her company and gospel ministry have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Women's meeting in furnishing her with a returning minute in concurrence.

Attest Henry T Wood clerk for the day

12 Mo 1877 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12th mo 27th 1877.

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from New Bedford John F. Tucker, John B. Baylies - Longplain, Daniel S. Wing and Benjamin W. Slade who are present except two –

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended –

Com to Audit Treas a/c &c We appoint our friends Jas. B. Congdon Edw. T. Tucker N. Hervey Wilbur and Jos. R. Wing a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account, propose a sum to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, the Name of a Friend for Treasurer, and to audit the several Trust funds under the care of this meeting –

C D C. Howland & two minor Children Received The joint Committee appointed in the 10th mo. last to visit Carrie D. C. Howland and her minor children Cyrus Chapman and Blanche Russell Howland on account of their request to become members of this Society, made the following report, which being read and considered is accepted and in concurrence with the Women's Meeting we now receive them as members of our religious Society, the Women to inform them of this conclusion –

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.

12M° 1877 The joint Committee appointed in Tenth mo. last to visit Carrie D. C. Howland on Acc. of her request for herself and two minor Children viz Agnes Chapman & Blanche Russell Howland to become members of this Society— Report that they have visited her and are united in believing that she is convinced of the truth of the principles held by Friends and is sincerely desirous of joining herself and her children thereto, her husband being already a Member and concurring herein— Which we submit to the judgement of the Monthly Meeting—

New Bedford } On behalf of the Committee
12th mo 25. 1877 } Gideon Wood, Rachel S. Howland.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

1M° 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 1st mo 24, 1878.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Henry T. Wood, Jos. Taber— Longplain Lilburn Hiller and N Hervey Wilbur who are present except One—

Chas H Jones Our beloved friend Charles H. Jones attended this Meeting and presented a certificate from Weare Monthly Meeting expressing unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements— his Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this Minute—

The Committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account and to audit the several Trust funds under the care of this Meeting made the following report which being read & considered was Accepted, and our friend Henry T. Wood desiring to be released from further service, as Treasurer of this Meeting which duty he has Acceptably performed for the past 29 years

Treas. Appt. we appoint David S. Wood Treasurer for the year ensuing or until another appointment and our former Treasurer is requested to deliver to him the balance now remaining in the Treasury and all Books and Documents relating thereto, and we appoint John B. Baylies, Edward T. Tucker, Holder Howland and Arnold G. Tripp a Committee to receive the Contributions of Friends to the Amount of $850. the sum proposed to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, pay the Amount to our Treasurer, and present his receipt for the same when accomplished—

Noah Gifford Received from Westport A Removal Certificate from Westport Mo. Meeting on behalf of Noah Gifford having been received was read, considered and Accepted— the Womens Meeting concurring—

1 Mo 1878 The joint Committee appointed in Tenth m. last, in accordance with a request from the Committee appointed by our Yearly Meeting, to receive subscriptions in aid of the hitherto neglected and ignorant classes in the Southern States, made the following report which being read was satisfactory, and the Committee are released from further service

A H Howland Released — We concur with the Women's Meeting in releasing Abbie H. Howland from Membership in our Meeting, she having joined herself to another Religious Society —

Com. on Records — We appoint Gideon Wood, John B. Bayliss, Jonathan Cowen and Robt. B. Taber a Committee to examine the Records of this meeting and ascertain if all births, deaths and Removals have been duly recorded also how many members now constitute this Meeting and report previous to our next Quarterly Meeting —

Committee on A Sherman Jr. Charitable Fund — The time for which the joint Committee were appointed to distribute the income from the A Shearman Jr. Charitable Fund having expired we appoint Wm C. Taber, Henry T. Wood, Edw. W. Howland and Geo. Howland Jr. to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to act in that service for the year ensuing —

Comee on Educational Fund left by A Sherman Jr. — We also reappoint Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, and Edw. G. Dillingham a Committee to have the Care and distribution for the ensuing year, of the income arising from the Educational fund, left for that purpose, by our late friend A Shearman Jr —

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Report of Auditing Comee — The committee appointed at the last Monthly Meeting, "to examine and settle the Treasurer's account, propose a sum to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year, the name of a friend for Treasurer and to audit the several trust funds under the care of this meeting," report.

The treasurer is charged with the following items;

Balance in his hands at close of last year	212.5
Paid by Longplain Preparative Meeting	170.
Paid by New Bedford Preparative Meeting	680.
Received from dividends on bank stock	115.
Received for U. S. Gold bonds coupons	31.80
Total	1209.35

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He is credited as follows;

Paid Quarterly Meeting	952.
Paid to assist the poor	80.
Paid Quarterly Meeting Expenses	48.03
Paid Water Bill	2.50
	1082.53
Balance in hands of treasurer	126.82
	1209.35

Report of Auditing Committee

Trust Funds.

— Susan Howland Ministers' Fund. —

Balance in the hands of the Overseers at the beginning of the year $40. coupons paid $60. making a total of $100.. Paid two friends travelling in the ministry $20. leaving a balance unexpended in the hands of the Overseers of $80..

— Abraham Sherman Jr. Educational Fund. —

Balance in the hands of the committee at the beginning of the year $118.32 Dividends received $105. total $223.32. There has been paid to the Friends' School at Providence $50. leaving in the hands of the committee $173.32 which sum is deposited in the Merchants National Bank.

— Abraham Sherman Jr. Charitable Fund —

Balance on hand at the opening of the year $79.44 There has been paid the committee for dividends $127.50 total $206.94. The committee have paid out to 33 persons $176. leaving a balance in their hands of $30.94 which is on deposit at the Merchants National Bank.

— John West Charitable Fund. —

At the last Audit there was in the hands of the Trustees the sum of $344.57 Their account shows that they have received for dividends and interest $448.45 whole amount $793.02 They have distributed in 91 different payments the sum of $454. leaving still at their disposal $339.02 which is on deposit at the First National Bank.

Abner Pease Long Plain Preparative Meeting Fund. — Account of the Overseers of the Monthly Meeting as custodians.

Balance of income on hand 1st mo. 1877	$52.13
Paid to them coupons & interest	2262.12
	2314.25

12 mo 1878 The payments are as follows: Taxes $100.44
Paid to the treasurer of the
Long Plain Preparative Meeting 2213.00
2313.44

Report of Auditing Committee Showing a balance in the hands of the Overseers .81.

Account of the Treasurer of the Long Plain Preparative Meeting.

The account is credited with sundry sums paid to the treasurer by the Overseers as per their account stated above $2213. which is the whole amount of the receipts.

The account is charged as follows. Balance stated to be due the treasurer at the audit of the account last year $367.42. Sundry disbursements made for purposes of the Preparative Meeting as per the certificate of the examiner and the vouchers presented $1934.33 total charges $2301.75

Deducting from this sum the payments to the treasurer as above, a balance of $88.75 is shown as now due to the treasurer of the Long Plain Preparative Meeting.

The manner in which the several accounts examined by us are kept is very satisfactory. All of them have been found correctly & plainly stated and the vouchers presented sufficient for their verification.

The committee have examined all the securities of which the Monthly Meeting has the custody.

They are as follows and are all in the hands of the Overseers.

Funds for the general purposes of the Meeting: 23 shares of the National Bank of Commerce $2300., Gold certificate on deposit in the National Bank of Commerce $500.

Susan Howland Fund.

Bond City of New Bedford $1000.–

Abraham Sherman Jr. Educational Fund.

Fourteen shares stock of Merchants Nat. Bank $1400.–

Abraham Sherman Jr. Charitable Fund.

Seventeen shares stock of Merchants Nat. Bank $1700.

Abner Pease Fund

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Bonds of the United States	$8500.
Three shares stock of Gosnold Mills par 100.	290.
Twelve " " " Boston & Providence R.R.	1200.
Eighty " " Nat. Bank Fairhaven @ $80.	6400.
Thirtyone " " Mechanics Nat. Bank @ $110.	3410.
Sixtyfive " " Nat. Bank of Commerce	6500.
Sixty " " Merchants Nat. Bank @ $130.	7800.
Forty " " First National Bank @ $110.	4400.
Gold certificate deposited in Nat. Bank of Com.	1500.
	$40000.

John West Fund.

Report of Audit: Committee — The securities in which this fund is invested are held by the trustees. They are as follows;

Forty six Shares stock of Merchants Nat. Bank	$4600.
Twenty shares stock of First National Bank	2000.
Deposit in New Bedford Institution for Savings	67.
	$6667.

The comittee recommend that their be raised for the purposes of the Monthly Meeting the sum of eight hundred & fifty dollars and would propose the name of David S. Wood to serve the meeting as treasurer the present year.

New Bedford
1st mo. 24th 1878

On behalf of the committee
(Signed) James B. Congdon.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Collected in aid of poor at the South — The Committee appointed in the 10th mo last to receive Contributions from Friends on account of the concern of the Yearly Meeting in respect to aiding the hitherto neglected and ignorant classes of the Southern States would report, that they have received and handed to the Treasurer Matthew Howland One hundred & three 50/100 Dollars

For the Committee

New Bedford
1st mo 23d 1878.

Robt. B. Taber
Ann R. Anthony.

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

2nd mo 1878

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 2nd mo 28th 1878.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford David S. Wood, James M. Tripp – Longplain Seth S. Swift and Jos. R. Wing who are present –

Silas H Cartland

Our beloved friend Silas H. Cartland attended this Meeting and presented a Certificate from Limington Mo. Meeting, expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagement – his company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is requested to furnish him with a copy of this Minute –

Request for Membership Thos J + Lydia B Taylor. Committee ap.

The following request from Thomas J. and Lydia B. Taylor received through N. Bedford Preparative Meeting, to become Members of our Religious Society having been read and considered – We appoint Josiah Holmes Jr and John F. Tucker a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on account of their request and report their judgement at a future Meeting –

Report of Com. on Funerals + Burial Grounds

Committee Appointed

The Committee appointed to have the Oversight of Funerals and Care of Burial grounds made the following report, which being read and considered was accepted and we appoint our friends Matthew Howland, Jonath. Cowen Edw. G. Dillingham, Benjamin W. Slade, Henry T. Wood, John F. Tucker, Gideon Wood, Geo. Howland Jr, Benjamin H. Kirby, Richard Davis Jr, David S. Wood, Jno. B. Baylies, Edw. W. Howland, Jos. R. Wing, Lilburn Hiller, Edward T. Tucker, Matthew Barney, James West and Nathan T. Shepherd a Committee to render such service and advice as may be called for during the ensuing year or until another appointment and they are encouraged to attend to the important duties devolving upon them with faithfulness and report to this meeting next year –

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting –

Dear friends,

After attending meetings of your Society, reading your Books, and making ourselves acquainted with the Discipline of the Society of Friends, We feel and believe it is the only true way to Worship the Lord Jesus Christ and earnestly desiring to follow Him and to do His Commandments, and to be in close bonds of Unity in the love + Worship of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, We jointly make this application to become Members, after due consideration prayerfully –

Thomas J. Taylor
Lydia B. Taylor

New Bedford
1st mo. 30th 1878.

To the Monthly Meeting -

2^d Mo 1878 - The Committee under appointment to take the oversight of Funerals and the care of Burial grounds, report that they have endeavored to perform the duty assigned them - We believe that no failure has occurred of the needed

Com. - Funerals Report - care respecting funerals, or of their attendance by some Members of the Committee -

The Burial ground at New Bedford is now in tolerably good order - The fence however in front, next the street should be renewed this year, and for this, arrangements are already in progress - On the North side, the fence separating this ground from the Rural Cemetery is now partly gone, and this will probably be wholly removed as there appears to be no present need of this separation - There have been nine interments in this ground the past year -

At Longplain and Mattapoisett, the grounds are in pretty good order, with substantial enclosures - At Acushnet a portion of the Wall, enclosing what is called the old ground is in need of repair, and we learn that the Friends of that meeting intend to make this improvement the present year -

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford John B. Baylies
2^nd mo 27^th 1878. Gideon Wood

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

3^d Mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 3^d mo. 28^th 1878.

Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford, Geo. Howland Jr, Edw. T. Tucker - Longplain Benj^m W. Slade and Daniel T. Wing who are present -

The Queries were read in this Meeting

Queries & Ans. with Answers from our Preparative Meetings, a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly, and appoint our friends Edw. W. Howland, David G. Wood, Jos. R. Wing, Edw G. Dillingham and Henry T. Wood to attend it as our representatives -

Our beloved friends Robert Knight, of Missis-

Robert Knight - sinewa Mo. Meeting, held near Marion, Grant C^o; Indiana

Sarah Goddard, endorsed by Mississinewa Quarterly Meeting, Sarah W.

Martha N. Hunt Goddard of Vassalboro Mo. Meeting and Martha N. Hunt of Durham Mo. Meeting, both in the State of Maine, attended this Meeting and presented satisfactory certificates from their respective Meetings, expressing unity with them as ministers and with their present religious engagements - their company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the Clerk

3 mo 1878 is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each -

Matt. Barney & E. G. Macy Intentions of Marriage

The following communication received from Matthew Barney and Elizabeth G. Macy Jr, the latter not a member of our Religious Society, informing us of their intention of taking each other in marriage - We appoint William C. Taber and Edw. T. Tucker a Committee to make inquiry as to his clearness to proceed in marriage as proposed and report to our next Meeting.

Thos J. Taylor & wife Received

The joint Committee appointed last month to visit Thomas J. Taylor and his Wife Lydia B. on Account of their request to become Members of our religious society made the following report, which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrance of the Women's Meeting we receive them into membership with us and David S. Wood is appointed to inform them of this Conclusion -

Thos F. Hafford & Wife received by Certificate

A removal certificate from Swanzey Mo. Meeting on behalf of Thomas F. Haffords and his Wife Mary was received and read and with the concurrance of the Womens Meeting was accepted and they received as Members of this Meeting -

The Committee appointed to examine our Records made the following report which being read was accepted and the clerk is requested to forward the information contained therein to the Quarterly Meeting -

Comm. on Temperance

The joint Committee appointed to aid & promote the cause of Temperance among our members and in the Community at large made the following report which being read and considered was Accepted and we appoint Chs. Taber John F. Tucker, Henry T. Wood, Edw. G. Dillingham Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, George Kempton, Arnold Tripp, Jonathan Cowen, Benjn H. Kirby, Benjn W. Slade and Lilburn Hiller a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to act as heretofore in promoting by every means in our power & by our influence this important cause and report to this meeting next year -

Comm. to visit Alms House, Jail & House of Correction

The joint Committee appointed to visit the Alms House, House of Correction and Jail in this city for the purpose of administering the Comfort & consolation of the Gospel to this neglected and suffering portion of the Community made the following report which being read and considered was Accepted and we appoint Matthew Howland, Charles Taber, Chas. H. Howland, Gideon Wood, John F. Tucker, David S. Wood, George Howland Jr, Josiah Holmes Jr, Edw. G. Dillingham, Jonathan Cowen, Benjn H. Kirby, Benjn W. Slade and Lilburn Hiller a Committee to unite with a similar

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Committee of Women friends and they are encouraged to attend faithfully to the important duty of visiting the outcast and afflicted within the limits of this Meeting and report next year –

Stock paid to Q. Meeting Treas.

Our Treasurer informs us that our proportion of Stock to the Quarterly Meeting, has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting –

The reading and consideration of Documents received from the Preparative meeting is postponed to our next Monthly meeting –

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends –

By Divine permission and your approbation we intend marriage with each other –

Nantucket Matthew Barney
3d mo 16th 1878. Elizabeth G. Macy Jr.

I approve of the marriage of my daughter Elizabeth with Matthew Barney – Elizabeth G. Macy }
only surviving Parent –

To the Monthly Meeting –

In Accordance with our appointment we have visited Thomas J. Taylor and his Wife Lydia B. to good satisfaction and are united in recommending that their request be granted –

New Bedford Josiah Holmes Jr Ruth S. Wood
3d mo. 25th 1878. John F. Tucker Ruth L. Smith
Com.

Report on Temperance

The joint committee appointed by the monthly meeting 3 mo. 22nd 1877 to promote the cause of Temperance among our members & in the community – report: the committee have ~~all~~ been interested in the work & have all given in the influence of their example & testimony while some have been enabled to engage in more active efforts.

As regards our own society our discipline condemns the traffic & use of intoxicating liquors for a beverage & our queries are a constant reminder. Our own membership is measurably clear in this respect & we earnestly hope that the day is not distant when for examples sake & for love of the dear master our hands shall be clear not only of the personal use of any kind of spirituous liquors

3rd mo 1878 but also of putting them before others in the exercise of hospitality.

The agencies in operation in the community to preserve & restore are numerous and various but the evil is still vast & inveterate. While as a society we ever strive to maintain our elevated position may we realize our responsibility to others & to the Lord in this matter.

We think this important subject should continue to claim the attention of the meeting

On behalf of committee
James B. Congdon
Susan T. Thompson

New Bedford
3rd mo. 28th 1878.

Report on Alms House House of Correction & Jail

The joint committee appointed by the Monthly Meeting, 1st mo. 25th 1877 to visit inmates of the Alms House, House of Correction and Jail —

Report —— the committee have nothing new to communicate or suggest.

The work contemplated & provided for when under the concern of the Monthly Meeting the first minute was made & the first committee appointed has been steadily pursued & during the past year its character has not changed nor its extent diminished.

There has appeared no occasion for us to vary the methods of our proceedings & our work has therefore been limited to individual visitation & to the care required for making the necessary arrangements for the visits to the House of Correction & Alms House of such ministering Friends as have expressed a desire to attend the religious meetings of those places.

During the past year the number of these has been greater than in any previous one. To the poor & the prisoner the gospel has been preached and while we have reason to believe that these labors have been welcome & have been blessed, we are equally confident that the presence at the stated hour of service of Christian brothers & sisters although such presence & a look of sympathizing solicitude & love constituted their only message has not been without an influ-

3^d^ mo 1878 ence for good.

This concern is not now confined to this meeting. There is rarely a service at the House of Correction without the attendance of one or more representatives from other Christian bodies of our city.

It is gratifying & encouraging to be able to state the pastor having charge of these institutions & all the officials connected with them, have done every thing in their power to assist the committee.

On behalf of the committee.
James B. Congdon
Anna G. Wood.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed in First month Report on Records of Members last to examine the Records of this Meeting in regard to Membership - Report -

That we have attended thereto and find the Records properly kept - Our Membership has diminished the past year as follows - Eight have been removed by death and two have been released on their own request - Two have been received by certificate and five by request -

Our membership in the several meetings appears as follows - New Bedford 236 - Longplain 38 - Acushnet 20 - Fairhaven 41 - Mattapoisett 16 - Nantucket 10 - Pembroke 17 Total 378 -

Gideon Wood John B. Baylies
Jonathan Cowen Robt. B. Taber
Com.

New Bedford 3d mo. 28th 1878.

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

4th Mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 4th mo. 25th 1878.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford John B. Baylies, Chas. H. Howland - Longplain Thomas F. Haffords and Richard Davis Jr who are present -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

Our beloved friend Obadiah Chace attended Obadiah Chace this meeting and presented a Certificate from Swansea Mo. Meeting expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagements - his Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute -

4th Mo 1878 The Committee appointed last month to ascertain the clearness of Matthew Barney to proceed in marriage with Elizabeth G. Macy Jr made the following report which being read is acceptable to us and nothing appearing to prevent, they having consent of surviving Parents and the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, are now allowed to solemnize said marriage in accordance with the order of our Society, and a Religious Meeting is now appointed to be held at the house of Elizabeth G. Macy on Darling St. Nantucket on Fifth-day 5th mo. 2nd 1878 at 7½ o'clock P.M. for the solemnization of their marriage and William Hosier is appointed to attend the marriage, present the Certificate to our Records and report to this Meeting next Month -

M Barney & E. G. Macy allowed to marry & Meeting appointed

We appoint our friends Edw. W. Howland Edward T. Tucker, William C. Taber, Jonathan Cowen and Jos. R. Wing a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends, who are requested to consider and present to our next meeting, the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

Com: to present names for Overseers

The consideration of the subject in regards to Deeds of Property held by us, is referred to our next Monthly Meeting -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to inquire as to Matthew Barney's clearness to proceed in Marriage with Elizabeth G. Macy Jr report that they find nothing to prevent his proceeding -

New Bedford Wm C. Taber
4th mo 24th 1878. Edward T. Tucker, Com.

Attest Matthew Howland, Clerk.

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5th Mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5th mo 23d 1878.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Henry T. Wood, Holder Howland - Longplain Isaac L. Cowen and Benj. W Slade who are present -

The time for which the clerk & assistant clerk of this meeting were appointed, having expired, Henry T. Wood on behalf of the representatives proposed the name of Matthew Howland for clerk and Charles Taber, Assistant but the latter desiring to be released on account of ill health Gideon Wood's name was substituted and being united with - Matthew Howland is appointed clerk and Gideon Wood Assistant clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment -

Clerk & Assistant Appointed

The Committee appointed last month to attend

5th Mo 1878 the marriage of Matthew Barney of Nantucket made made the following report, which being read, was accepted and we are informed by our Recorder that the Certificate has been received and placed on Record –

The following request having been received through N. Bedford Preparative Meeting from Mattie Y. Howland to become a member of our Religious Society, and from her husband Reuben R. Howland and herself for their four
Com. on Request minor children Arthur, Hastings, Kate, and Frank to
of Mattie Y. Howland become members also being read & considered, we appoint
for Membership Wm C. Taber and Geo. Howland Jr a Committee to unite with
for Self & 4 children a similar Committee of Women friends to visit them on Account of their request and report to a future meeting –

The joint Committee appointed Last month to present to this meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers, made the following report which being read and Considered was accepted and having the concurrance of the Women's Meeting we appoint Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, Seth K. Akin, Edw. G. Dillingham,
Overseers appd. Abraham Gifford, Arnold G. Tripp, Matthew Barney, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Ruth S. Wood, Mary C. Baylies, Susan S. Tripp, Ann A. Macomber, Betsey B. Hiller, Adelaide V. Wilbur and Sarah Swain as Overseers of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment –

The following request received from Charles W.
C W Ryder requests Ryder for a certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting on Account
Marriage Certificate of marriage was read and we appoint John F. Tucker and Henry T. Wood a Committee to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next meeting –

The subject in regard to the disposition of the Deeds
Com. on Deeds &c. and other Documents held by this Meeting, being again brought before us, we appoint Edw. W. Howland Wm C. Taber, Jonn Cowen, Geo. F. Tucker and Josiah Holmes Jr a Committee to take this matter into consideration and report their judgement in reference to the desposition of said Documents to a future meeting –

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends

It having been my earnest desire for some months
Request of R. R. past to become a member of the Society of Friends, and
& Mattie Y. Howland having as I trust given the matter due thought and consideration, I have decided to make my wishes known to the Meeting, asking them to Accept me as a member, my husband joining with me fully in my request –

We would also request for our four minor children Arthur, Hastings, Kate and Frank – Your friends sincerely
Mattie Y. Howland
Reuben R. Howland

5th Mo 1878 To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we attended the
Marriage of marriage of Matthew Barney and Elizabeth G. Macy Jr at
Matt. Barney Nantucket, which was Accomplished in an orderly manner
+ The Meeting held about an hour and was covered
E G Macy with a precious solemnity—

Sarah Swain
Nantucket 5th mo 3d 1878. Sarah A. Holmes, Com.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to bring forward names to serve as Overseers present the following viz- Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, Seth K. Akin, Edw G. Dillingham Abraham Gifford, Arnold G. Tripp, Matthew Barney, Rebecca C. Gunnell, Ruth S. Wood, Mary C. Bayliss, Susan S. Tripp Ann A. Macomber, Betsey B. Hiller, Adelade V. Wilbur, and Sarah Swain

On behalf of the Com. Edw. W. Howland
New Bedford 5th mo 23d 1878. Sarah H. Anthony.

attest Matthew Howland, clerk

6th Mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 6th mo 27th 1878.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford B Franklin Howland, Joseph Tripp. Longplain Jonathan Cowen + Lilburn Hiller who are present—

Our beloved friends John F. Hanson attended
John F Hanson this meeting and presented a Certificate from Bear creek Mo.
E.L. Comstock meeting endorsed by Bear Creek Quarterly Meeting, Iowa,
Alida Clark. Elizabeth L. Comstock attended and presented a Certificate from Rollin Mo. Meeting, endorsed by Adrian Quarterly Meeting Michigan, Alida Clarke attended this and presented a certificate from Southland Mo. Meeting held near Helena, Arkansas endorsed by the Missionary Board of Indiana Yearly Mtg expressing unity with them as ministers and with their present religious engagements— their company + Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute as it relates to each—

Our beloved friend Phebe T. Underhill attended this Meeting as Companion to our friend Elizth L. Comstock and presented a Certificate from Baltimore Mo. Meeting expressing unity with her as a member and with her present engagement— her company has been Acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute—

The time for which the Recorder + Assistant
Recorders Recorders of this Meeting were appointed, having expired, we are united in reappointing Edward T. Tucker as Recorder

6th Mo 1878 and Jonathan Cowen and Benj. W. Slade Ass't Recorders for the year ensuing or until another appointment—

The Committee appointed in the 8th mo 1877 to visit Joshua L. Macomber on account of his request to become a member of our religious Society made the following report, which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrance of the Women's Meeting, we now reinstate him as a member of our Society and Lilburn Miller is appointed to inform him—

J.L. Macomber Reinstated

The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Seth K. Akin, William C. Taber, Arnold G. Tripp, Edw. G. Dillingham and Benjn. W. Slade to attend it as our representatives—

Queries

To the Monthly Meeting—

The Committee appointed in the 8th mo last to visit Joshua L. Macomber on account of his request to be reinstated as a member of our religious society, and who made a partial report in the ninth month last, now report that they have again visited him in relation to the subject, and after giving the matter due consideration, are united in recommending that his request should be granted

New Bedford
6th mo 12th 1878.

Ezra Kelley }
John F. Tucker } Committee

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

7 Mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7th mo. 25th 1878.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Charles Taber, Benjn. H. Tirby—Longplain Edward G. Dillingham and Peter D. Slade who are present—

Allen Jay

Our beloved friend Allen Jay attended this meeting and presented a Certificate from Providence Mo. Meeting expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagements—his Company and Gospel labors have been Acceptable to us and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a Copy of this minute—

J F Hanson
E L Comstock
Alida Clark
P.T. Underhill

Our beloved friends John F. Hanson, Elizabeth L. Comstock, Alida Clarke and Phebe T. Underhill who were present with us at our last meeting are again acceptably with us—

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended with one exception, who was detained at

7th mo 1878. home on account of sickness in his family-

We are informed by Sandwich Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of Stock for that Meeting the ensuing year is $1449. being 69 pr ct of the Amount to be raised, which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting, when the state of our Funds will admit-

Mattie Y. Howland
+ 4 minor Children
Received

The Committee appointed in the 5th mo last to unite with a Com. of Women friends to visit Mattie Y. Howland on Account of a request for herself and four minor children, Arthur B. John Hastings, Kate, and B. Franklin Howland, to become members of our religious society made the following report which being read and considered was Accepted and having the concurrance of the Women's Meeting we receive them as members of our religious society-

Committee
on Ministers

The subject being brought before us, and receiving our careful consideration, we were united in beleiving that the time had fully come for the appointment of a Committee to present the names of such friends, whose gifts in the ministry in their judgement, should be acknowledged by this Meeting, and appoint our friends Henry T. Wood, George Howland Jr, William C. Taber, Jonathan Cowen, Abraham Gifford and Matthew Howland a Committee to unite with a similar Com. of Women friends to take this important subject into consideration and report to a future Meeting-

Committee to
distribute Minutes
of Yearly Meeting

We have received 165 copies of the Printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and appoint Chs. H. Howland Daniel G. Wing, Peter D. Slade, Edw. G. Dillingham, Jonathan Cowen, John B. Baylies and James West a Committee to distribute them among our Members and report to this Meeting when Accomplished-

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeably to our appointment we visited Mattie Y. Howland on Account of her request to be received into membership with us- And also that her four minor children, Arthur B. John Hastings, Kate, and B Franklin Howland might have the same privilege- After very serious and careful consideration we feel it is right for us to encourage Friends to grant the request and extend to her and her children their christian sympathy and care- which we submit to the meeting-

Signed, William C. Taber
Geo. Howland Jr
Hannah W. Sears
R. T. Howland, Com.

New Bedford
7th mo 24th 1878

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

8mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 8th mo 22nd 1878.

Representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford Jos. Taber, John B. Baylies — Long plain Joseph R. Wing and Seth S. Swift who are present —

Report of Committee on Ministers

Approval of Wm Thompson as a Minister

The joint Committee appointed last month to take into consideration the subject of presenting to this Meeting the names of any of our Members judged to be qualified to have their gifts in the ministry acknowledged by us, made the following report which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrance of the Womens Meeting we now acknowledge the gift & approve the ministry of our friend William Thompson, and the clerk is directed to convey this information to our next Quarterly Meeting for its concurrance and the Committee is continued for further service —

The friend appointed in the 6th mo. last to inform Joshua L. Macomber, that he had been reinstated as a member of our Religious Society, reports he has informed him —

The Committee appointed last month to distribute printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting among our Members, report they have attended to that duty —

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee appointed last month to consider, whether there were any among us whose gifts in the ministry, should be acknowledged by this Meeting — have had a meeting and conferred together upon the subject —

We are united in judgement (two of our Members dissenting as to presenting it at this Meeting) that the name of William Thompson should be proposed to the Meeting for the acknowledgement of his gift and approval of his ministry —

The Committee would ask for further time in the matter referred to them, as other names are under consideration

New Bedford
8th mo 22nd 1878.

For the Committee Henry T. Wood
Sarah H. Anthony —

Attest — Matthew Howland
Clerk.

9 mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 9th mo 26th 1878.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Robt. Earle, Holder Howland — Longplain Jonathan Cowen & Peter D. Slade who are present except one—

Queries

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative meetings to the 1st 2nd and 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Seth N. Akin, John B. Baylies, Seth S. Swift & Edw. G. Dillingham to attend it as our representatives—

Approval of the ministry of E G Dillingham

The joint Committee appointed in the 7th mo last to present the names of suitable friends whose gifts in the ministry, should be acknowledged, made the following report, which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we now acknowledge the gift and approve the ministry of our friend Edw. G. Dillingham and the clerk is directed to convey this information to the Quarterly Meeting for its concurrence— the Committee are now released from further service—

London general Epistle

We have received 270 copies of London General Epistle for this year and appoint Edw. T. Tucker, Seth S. Swift, Richard Davis Jr, and Benjamin Slade a Committee to distribute them among our members and others—

Minute to S G Kempton

We concur with the Women's Meeting in granting a minute to our friend Susan G. Kempton to accompany Mary Hoag on a religious visit to the meetings belonging to Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting—

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee appointed in 7th mo. last to present to the Meeting, the names of such Friends as in their judgement, should be acknowledged as Ministers would again report, that they are united in proposing that the public ministry of Edward G. Dillingham be approved by the Monthly Meeting—

Way does not open at present for further action on the part of the Committee, which they submit to the Meeting

By direction of the Committee

New Bedford
9th mo 18th 1878.

Henry T. Wood
Sarah H. Anthony

attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

10m° 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10th mo. 24th 1878.

Representatives to attend this meeting are from New Bedford Benjamin H. Kirby, John B. Baylies — Longplain Jos. R. Wing and Seth S. Swift who are present —

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended —

The committee appointed last month to distribute copies of the London Gen. Epistle to our members and others interested, report they have attended to that duty —

Legacy from Stephen Rogers to Friends of Pembroke Prep. Mtg —

The Overseers presented at this time the following extracts from the Will of Stephen Rogers of Marshfield, by which he bequeathed "to the Preparative Meeting of Friends in Pembroke" the sum of One thousand Dollars, to be kept by said Meeting as a Fund forever the interest or income from which, to be used for the relief and comfort of the Poor and necessitous members of said meeting, which being considered, and the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting informing us, that he holds a United States Bond for $1000. represented to be said Legacy, the Overseers are hereby requested to receive said Bond and give the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting a receipt for the same —

Items from Will of Stephen Rogers

Items taken from the Will of Stephen Rogers —

Item 4th I give and bequeath to the Preparative Meeting of Friends in Pembroke in the County aforesaid One thousand Dollars, to be paid by my Executor hereafter named to any person or persons duly authorized by the Meeting aforesaid to receive the same — The principal to be kept by the said Meeting as a Fund forever, and the interest or income thereof only to be annually appropriated for the relief and comfort of the poor and necessitous members of the said Preparative Meeting forever, said bequest or Fund to be under the immediate care and direction of the Monthly Meeting of Friends, to which said Preparative Meeting is now or may be hereafter annexed, so far as fully to carry into effect my mind and Will as herein expressed and intended and no farther —

Item 22d And it is my Will that all Legacies herein given and bequeathed, which may become forfeited by non-compliance with the requirements, conditions and prohibitions of this my Will shall enure to my residuary Legatee aforesaid.

Attest Matthew Howland
Clerk

11mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11th mo 28. 1878.

Representatives to attend this Meeting are from New Bedford John F. Tucker, James B. Congdon - Longplain Peter D. Slade and Jonathan Cowen, who are present -

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with Answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2nd & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and appoint our friends Joseph Taber, Jas. B. Congdon, N Hervey Wilbur and Benj. W. Slade to attend it as our representatives -

Committee on Legacy of Stephen Rogers

We appoint James B. Congdon and Edward W. Howland a Committee to examine into and ascertain our relations and duties in regard to the Legacy of Stephen Rogers to Pembroke Preparative Meeting and report to this meeting when accomplished -

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We are united in adding the name of Jas. B. Congdon to the Committee appointed in 5th mo. last in reference to the disposition of Deeds and other Documents belonging to this meeting -

Permission to change S. Gallery to School room for Bible School

A request having been made by members of New Bedford Preparative Meeting for permission to change the South Gallery of our Meeting house into a School Room for teaching the Bible, we are united in granting the request the Women's Meeting concurring herein -

Attest Matthew Howland, clerk.

12mo 1878 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12th mo. 26th 1878.

Representatives to this Meeting are from New Bedford David S. Wood, John B. Baylies - Longplain, Daniel S. Wing and Edw. G. Dillingham who are present except two -

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended -

Auditors

We appoint our friends John B. Baylies, John F. Tucker, N. Hervey Wilbur and Benjamin W. Slade a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of Women friends to examine and settle the Treasurer's Account, propose a sum to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year, also the name of a friend for Treasurer - and to audit the several Trust funds under the care of this meeting -

Pembroke fund &c

The Overseers inform us, that they have received from Matthew Howland Treas. of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting a U. S. Bond for One thousand Dollars held by him as a Legacy from Stephen Rogers to Pembroke Preparative Meeting -

The Committee appointed last month to examine into our relations and duties in regard to the Legacy of Stephen Rogers to Pembroke Preparative Meeting made the following report which being read and considered is accepted and this Meeting accepts the trust created by the Will of Stephen Rogers for the benefit of the Poor of Pembroke Preparative Meeting— That the Fund amounting to One thousand Dollars, now in the hands of the overseers of this meeting, remain in their custody and that the Overseers, collect the income of said Fund and hold the same subject to the direction of the Monthly Meeting —

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to examine into our relations and duties in regard to the Legacy of Stephen Rogers have attended to that duty and now Report

That the Legacy

Com. Pembroke fund Report was One thousand Dollars and the Bond by which it is represented is now in the hands of the Overseers of this Meeting— This fund is rightfully in the hands of this meeting— Our relations to it are determined by the laws of State and the discipline and usages of our society— With the past administration of the Fund we have no concern— Our responsibilities and duties commence with the possession of the Fund— This meeting has with the Fund accepted a trust— This trust it must discharge in its corporate capacity— Our right to the Fund is founded upon the Will of S. Rogers— The Will of Stephen Rogers is to be our guide in its administration and that alone— In this matter the New Bedford Mo. Meeting exercises a jurisdiction which must be strictly conformed to the Laws of the Commonwealth—

This Fund is rightfully in the custody of the Overseers— To them it belongs to keep safely and collect its income, holding the same for the Monthly Meeting— We do not think it wise now, to come to any determination or give any instructions with regard to the disbursement of this income— The Meeting should be left to decide this when the circumstances of the case, shall require action on its part— All the Poor of this Meeting are to be cared for— the relation which any portion of them may sustain to the income of this Fund, will be an element in the decision of the question of its disbursements

The Committee would avoid any declaration as to the legal construction to be put upon this bequest— They would recommend, before any disbursement is made of its income, that proper advice be taken for the guidance of the Meeting –

12th mo 26th 1878.

James B. Congdon
Edw. W. Howland
Committee

Attest Matthew Howland,
Clerk.